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TELEGRAMS.

THE TEST MATCH.

AUSTRALIA WIN.

AFRICA BADLY BEATEN.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]

via Bombay, May 29, 7.25 a.m.
Received, 1.35 p.m.

The first Triangular Test Match, between Australia and South Africa, has concluded at Manchester.

The result was a win for the Australians by an innings and 88 runs.

In their first venture the South Africans made 265, of which Faulkner contributed 122 not out.

The South Africans, 183 to the bad, followed on, but were all dismissed for 95.

Matthews, for Australia, performed "the hat trick" in both innings.

HOME CRICKET.

London, May 28, 7 p.m
Received 29, 7.55 a.m.

The latest county cricket results are:—

Middlesex beat Sussex at Lord's by an innings and 48 runs.

Yorkshire beat Lancashire at Bradford by ten wickets.

CINEMATOGRAPH FIRE.

80 PEOPLE KILLED.

via Bombay, May 23, 1 a.m.
Received, 5.20 a.m.

Reuter's Madrid correspondent reports a cinematograph fire in the town of Villa Real.

The room in which the disaster occurred had only one exit and was crowded with 180 people.

A panic ensued and 80 people were killed and many seriously injured, some of whom are dying.

LORD HALDANE'S HOLIDAY.

via Bombay, May 29, 7.25 a.m.
Received, 4.35 p.m.

Lord Haldane remains at Goettingen visiting the scenes and friends of his old student days.

AMERICAN COUNTRIES.

HOPES OF U.S.A.

London, May 28.
Received, 4.40 p.m.

Reuter's New York agent wires that Secretary Knox, speaking at the banquet of the Pan-American Society, said the object of his recent mission to the Caribbean was to assure all the peoples in that region that the opening of the Panama Canal would inaugurate an era of closer relations between all the American countries The United States wished to see other nations in the hemisphere stronger and stabler.

THE MEXICAN QUESTION.

Mr. Sulzer, chairman of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, endorsing the observations of Secretary Knox, said it would be a blunder worse than crime for the United States to invade Mexico. Military experts were of opinion such a war would require 300,000 soldiers and would cost a hundred million dollars.

TELEGRAMS.

INTERPORT SHOOTING.

SHANGHAI'S SCORE.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, May 29, 9.10 a.m.
Received 9.19 a.m.

Shanghai have shot off in the Interport Shooting Competition. Their score is 931.

LOAN TO CHINA.

NEXT ADVANCE.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, May 29, 9.10 a.m.
Received, 9.19 a.m.

It has been practically decided that the International group of financiers will advance a further three million taels to China this week.

The general situation is improving.

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

POST DECLINED.

(From Chinese Sources.)

Shanghai, May 28

Hsu Yun-yuen has declined to accept the post of Auditor under the Loan Agreement, and Chan Ching-yuen has been appointed instead.

FINDING FUNDS.

Wong Ling has finally decided to resign from the Resident Generalship of Nanking and will devote all his time to the promotion of the "patriotic contributions" and the establishment of Republican banks.

PRESIDENT'S ADVISOR.

Sun Wu arrived at Peking on the 26th inst., to take up his post as advisor to President Yuan.—"Shat Po."

FOREIGN MINISTER WANTED.

Peking, May 28.

President Yuan has urged Luk Ching-cheung, the new Minister of Foreign Affairs, to return to China as early as possible as the President wants to consult him on important affairs. Luk, in reply, telegraphed to the President that he would return to Peking via Tientsin on the 1st of June.

TROOPS DISCONTENTED.

The financial condition of Anhui Province is serious. There is a strong agitation among the troops against the delay in payments. The Governor General is at a loss to know how deal with the situation.—"Shat Po."

NEW RAILWAY.

Peking, May 28

President Yuan has directed the Ministry of Communications to consider a scheme for the building of a railway from Kwang-si to Yunnan.

LOYAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

The Army officers and the schoolmasters in Hupeh have decided to set aside a portion of their salary towards the national patriotic contributions every month.—"Sin Kai Kung Yak Po."

TELEGRAMS.

SIAM JEWEL CASE.

DE BOSECK GUILTY.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore, May 29, 9.10 a.m.
Received, 10.17 a.m.

The trial of Jules Paul De Boseck (31), described as a journalist, on a charge of feloniously receiving jewellery which had been stolen at Bangkok while in course of consignment from London to the Dowager Queen of Siam, has concluded.

The jury found the accused guilty of retaining a pearl knowing it to have been stolen.

Sentence was suspended pending consideration of three points which are to be raised before the Full Court.

[Some interesting facts in connection with the case will be found in another column.]

DUKE OF FIFE'S WILL.

London, May 29, 3.50 a.m.
Received, 4.15 p.m.

The will of the late Duke of Fife shows estate to the value of a million sterling.

The contents of the will have not been disclosed.

NAVAL PROBLEMS.

THE ALLIANCE QUESTION.

Reuter's.
[Service to the "Telegraph."]

London, May 28, 5.5 a.m.
Received, 5.31 p.m.

General Sir Ian Hamilton, who is at Malta, has postponed his visit to England till after the departure of Mr. Asquith and Mr. Churchill, whose coming conference with Lord Kitchener continues to engross the British and French papers. The "Temps" states that Mr. Asquith and Mr. Churchill will afterwards visit Bizerta. Though the suggestion of an Anglo-French alliance is generally coolly received by the Press of both countries, it is regarded that beyond doubt the Malta meeting will have an important bearing on the naval position in the Mediterranean, where, according to the French view, the growing Italian and Austrian strength would tend to neutralise the French contribution to an Anglo-French alliance.

AN IMPERIAL SCHEME.

In this connection, the "Daily Telegraph" points out that if the Dominions make some sacrifice to respond to Mr. Churchill's appeal the idea of withdrawing battleships from the Mediterranean could be abandoned, and outlines a scheme whereby our kinsmen could enable us to provide an Imperial service squadron which would be based at Gibraltar and be the pivot force of the Empire. Such a squadron, says the journal, might consist of eight Dreadnoughts and twelve smaller cruisers, costing three millions annually. The "Telegraph" suggests the following annual contributions—Canada, £900,000; Australia, £700,000; New Zealand, £400,000; South Africa, £250,000; the United Kingdom, £750,000;—and suggests the creation of an Imperial Naval Committee on which the Dominions would be represented, and that the vessels be largely officered and manned by men from Overseas.

TELEGRAMS.

HOME LABOUR CRISIS.

THREATS AND PROTESTS.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]

via Bombay, May 28, 1.50 p.m.
Received, 5.45 p.m.

Meat convoys during the evening reached Smithfield and were unmolested, being strongly escorted by police. The strike committee warns the Government that repressive action may lead to extremes on the part of the men, and calls out all transport workers. The committee also says it has cabled asking every international agency to take action. It protests against the authorities accommodating employers and protecting "scabs" by the use of the police and soldiers.

STRIKERS ANNOYED.

via Bombay, May 29, 1 a.m.
Received, 5.20 a.m.

The situation at the docks is unchanged. Special police patrols are conspicuous, and their presence is resented by the strikers.

"ALMOST NORMAL."

Business at Smithfield is almost normal, and there are no difficulties in distributing produce throughout the Metropolis.

Chilled beef has risen in price by from twopence to fourpence per stone; the price of other produce is unchanged.

LOUD TALK.

Mr. Ben. Tillet, one of the strike leaders, threatens a national strike unless a satisfactory conference is arranged by the Home Office, but it is widely suggested that the leaders are "talking loudly" in order to encourage their followers.

A CONFERENCE.

via Bombay, May 29, 7.25 a.m.
Received 1, 1.35 p.m.

The Government has convened a conference of all parties concerned in the strike, which is to be held on the 31st inst. Otherwise the situation has not materially developed.

POLICE V. STRIKERS.

The police on Tuesday vigorously guarded the procession of meat carts from the docks and scattered strikers who attempted to cut the traces and throw missiles.

STRIKERS & FOOD SUPPLY.

The only account of the conference between the Strike Committee and Mr. McKenna is the committee's version which represents Mr. McKenna as saying that they must allow some food to be brought into London. The Committee thereupon asked what food, so that they might cooperate with the Home Office, realising that the foods must be unloaded.

Mr. McKenna is also represented as declaring that he had no intention of using the military. The Committee promised to do its utmost to prevent violence.

The willingness of the Committee to allow certain foods to be unloaded is interpreted as an appreciation of the Government's efforts to secure the food supply and to remove the hostility which a rise in food prices would create against the strikers.

STRIKERS SENTENCED.

Yesterday's disorderly strikers have received sentences varying from a fine to a month's hard labour.

TELEGRAMS.

THE TITANIC DISASTER.

FIXING THE BLAME.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]

via Bombay, May 29, 8.10 a.m.
Received, 1.45 a.m.

Senator Smith, in the course of a speech in the Senate on presenting the report of the Inquiry into the Titanic disaster, held that the laxity of the Board of Trade regulations was largely responsible for the disaster.

STRONG STATEMENTS.

He charges Captain Lord, of the s.s. Californian, with lack of vigilance and says that he could have saved all on board the Titanic.

He states that there was a complete lack of discipline after the Titanic struck the iceberg, and that some of the junior officers left the ship at the earliest moment, whilst some of the men entrusted to care for the passengers deserted the ship as soon as possible.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

He makes a series of recommendations, such, for instance as fixing the steamer lanes, doubling the number of wireless operators, increasing their pay; provision of better lifesaving equipment, stronger construction and powerful search lights.

The effect of the speech was somewhat marred by the rhetorical phrasecology employed.

CANTON NEWS.

The Financial Stringency.

(The "Telegraph" Correspondent.)

Canton, May 28.

Mr. Chik-yui, Financial Advisor to the Canton Government, has made various suggestions to the Governor-General in regard to the paper currency. He attributes the heavy discount on the notes to the shortage of supply in subsidiary coins, and points out that the Specie Department invariably buys drafts on Hongkong with subsidiary coins in order to purchase bar silver for minting purposes. The daily output of tokens aggregates about $700,000, yet, in spite of this, the market is always short of coins. Mr. Chan suggests official investigation into this matter and requests the Government to prohibit Chinese bankers from cornering subsidiary coins for the purposes of speculation.

The Patriotic Movement.

The Governor General has addressed a letter to the Chinese of Hongkong expressing his gratification at the energetic efforts of all classes in furthering the scheme for raising patriotic contributions. He points out that Japan's greatness is due to the people's love of their country, and, now that a Republic has been declared in China, he says China should not be content to remain behind Japan. The Governor further states that foreign nations are watching China to see, at this juncture, their feelings towards their nation; and he hopes Hongkong Chinese will push the scheme and help to raise sufficient funds to pay off all China's foreign loans.

The Plague Precautions.

The Governor has replied to the Chinese Commercial Union in Hongkong in response to their denunciation of the action of the Canton Council in passing a resolution favouring the establishment of a plague ward at Whampoa. He points out that the scheme has not been approved by the Government, while the provision of a hospital at Tam Shek-tau does not mean the forcible detention of patients there.

TELEGRAMS.

BOXING.

LANGFORD BEATS FLYNN.

Reuter's.
[Service to the "Telegraph."]

London, May 28.
Received, 4.40 p.m.

Reuter's Melbourne agent states that in a boxing match Sam Langford beat "Porky" Flynn in the fourteenth round, the referee stopping the contest.

TO RE-BUILD HANKOW.

Straits Financiers Scheme Somewhat Altered.

The scheme of the financiers from the Straits Settlements and Java for furnishing Tls. 20,000,000 for the rebuilding of Hankow has been somewhat changed in deference to the wishes of local merchants and the Hupeh Government. In an interview already reported it was learned that the financiers arrived with the idea of buying up, with the Government's aid, a large section of the city and spending the large amount named on the erection of buildings in this section and the laying of tramways throughout the city. Some of the land-owners and the Government considered that to give the company a monopoly over a large part of the city would give the outsiders too much control over the city's affairs. To meet this objection the financiers have proposed that landowners, even if they cannot afford to erect buildings up to the regulation standard, be not forced to sell but be given the option of receiving advances from the Tls. 20,000,000 fund under two alternative schemes—(1) to take shares in the company; (2) to take the company's bonds—in each case to the value of the land to be built upon.

To further assist the citizens in business enterprises the financiers offer to lend them money, accepting mortgages on their shares in the company as security.

The proposals the financiers intend to place before the Government and the Hankow people have not yet been drawn up in detail, but some of the main features were revealed to us in an interview with Messrs. Chun Chunam (Singapore) and Hsu Sweeling (the agent for the financiers.) The Government's proposal that the money should be advanced as a loan is to be rejected. The Government appealed to the financiers in the name of patriotism to lend the money at the low interest of 3 per cent. As they can get 8 per cent for their money elsewhere, the men from the south were not eager to comply. They pointed out that they and their fellow-settlers had contributed enormous funds to the revolution—Tls. 4,000,000 from Singapore and Tls. 6,000,000 from Java. Even coolies had contributed what they could, some sacrificing as much as three months' wages. Besides they considered private enterprise was more likely to make a good job of the rebuilding than was the Government.

One of the first measures they plan is to establish a bank at Hankow to undertake mortgage business and to lend money to the Government, if it desires, for the making of roads, drainage, and so forth. Then a fire insurance company will be formed in which the Reconstruction Company will insure its own buildings.

The financiers also intend to ask the Government to run a railway siding down to the waterfront, and to provide proper facilities for the landing of steamers.—"C. C. Post."

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

Telegrams.

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LOCAL.

Interesting information was given on the letting of the old Post Office premises in the Supreme Court to-day, when the defendant in the verandah case and the lessee of the building admitted that, for the ground floor alone, he was receiving $1,000 per month, and for the upper floor $255. At a meeting of the Legislative Council last year, it was stated that the rent paid by the lessee was $406 per month.

A Chinese was fined $50 this morning for keeping a Chinese hotel without a licence. The place was said to be frequented by undesirables.

While a number of men were taking water from one of the hydrants yesterday an argument arose and developed into a free fight. The sequel was heard at the Police Court this morning when they were fined $2 each.

An Indian, named Suder was charged, before Mr. Melbourne this morning with the stealing a promissory note, valued $100, from another Indian. The case was adjourned till Wednesday bail being fixed at $400.

REPUBLIC RECOGNISED.

It is reported that the American Government has sent a national message to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on the recognition of the Republic of China. President Yuan Shih-kai has despatched Dr. W. W. Yen, the Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, to call on the American Legation in Peking and to thank the U. S. Government. It is said that Dr. Wu Ting-fang will be sent as Special Envoy to Washington to offer China's thanks.

The "Shanghai Times" states that Denmark has also sent her message of recognition, and President Yuan has deputed Mr. Hu Wei-teh, the acting Minister of Foreign Affairs, to thank the Danish Legation, and a special commissioner will be sent to Copenhagen.

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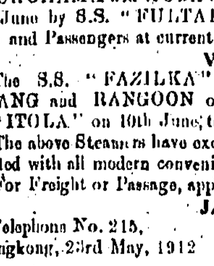

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OUR CONTEMPORARIES.

China Mail.

Liberals Truckling to Socialists.

This Army Order is preposterous!—the weakest piece of work performed by the Liberal party, and a piece of work which they may yet, when too late, have sufficient cause to regret. If the Liberals intend to bid for the support of the Labour Party and the extremists throughout the country at such a cost, the sooner the better a determined effort is made to have them removed before more mischief is hatched. The action of troops cannot be too carefully guarded at a time of rioting, but that those who are able to deal with the matter on the spot should be hampered by such a clumsy arrangement as the new Army Order sets forth is truly deplorable and cannot be too often or too strongly denounced.

Daily Press.

The Tibetan Situation.

The leading Russian newspaper, the "Novoe Vremya," has quite recently set out with remarkable frankness the programme of Russian policy on the frontiers of China according to the views of the so-called Nationalists; but it included no development in the direction of Tibet. "Chinese anarchy on the one hand and Russian Imperial problems in the Far East on the other—this opposition," it said, "leads us to the inevitable conclusion that it would be criminal to let such an advantageous moment slip and to fail to make use of the weakness of our neighbour in order to realise our political ideals." The first question refers to Manchuria. Everyone is aware, said, the writer, that Japan is systematically appropriating the southern part of the country. Hence Russian diplomacy must make up its mind as to "what we should do with Northern Manchuria." It is not otherwise with the third and last problem—that of Mongolia. "We must draw up such a modus vivendi as will secure not only the political but also the cultural independence of Mongolia." Tibet does not come within the picture, and it should not be forgotten that by the Convention of 1907 concluded between Great Britain and Russia the high contracting parties engaged to respect the territorial integrity of Tibet and to abstain from all interference in its internal administration.

South China Morning Post.

Robbing the Dead.

It is of course impossible for the Government to set a watch upon each individual grave in order to detect such acts of desecration as are described by our correspondent, but it should be feasible to employ night watchmen and to raise and equip the walls in such a way as would effectively bar the surreptitious intrusion of marauders. Only on Monday the "Hongkong Telegraph" drew attention to what it described as "striking examples of neglect" to be found in the Protestant Cemetery at Happy Valley. Weeds are encroaching on the pathways and the general condition of certain plots, according to our contemporary, forms a striking contrast to the children's cemetery. However, neglect is not the only charge, nor the most serious, that our correspondent's letter conveys. She alleges deliberate thieving of flower-pots and other tributes to the dead, which are easily convertible into money. Such a grievous complaint even in this cold and apathetic colony which so frequently buries its dead one day to forget them the next, should impress upon the authorities that they, as well as the relatives and friends of the departed, have a sacred duty to perform. Public sentiment demands that the resting places of the dead shall be cared for.

ATE TELEGRAMS.

(From Manila Papers.)

London, May 23.—All Great Britain is watching with great interest the political battles now going on in the United States. Dispatches of English correspondents from the United States indicate that Roosevelt's victory in Taft's home state, Ohio, has dismayed the Taft supporters.

The victory seems to be variously interpreted, although the general feeling is that Roosevelt's insistence on a general reconstruction of political ideas and conditions appealed to the popular instinct.

It is beginning to be believed that the condition of sixes and sevens obtaining in the Democratic ranks will lead to the nomination of Bryan.

Roosevelt's Message.

Washington, May 23.—Theodore Roosevelt in a public message to the American people last night, said:

"The victory in Ohio is not alone the victory of the plain people of the Republican party, but that of every good citizen of the United States."

American newspapers are speculating on the effect of the Ohio victory in the national convention. Some of them profess to see in it the death knell of Taft's hopes and the power which will turn some of the southern delegates from the Taft side to that of Roosevelt. Papers supporting the president in the campaign, while much chagrined over the result, do not concede that it means Taft's defeat but rather that it is indicative of a close fight at Chicago, the result of which will be a Taft victory.

Final returns from Ohio show that Roosevelt is practically certain of 38 of the 48 delegates and that Roosevelt men will be in absolute control of the state convention which is soon to meet to adopt an Ohio platform for the national convention.

Battle in Mexico.

Washington, May 23.—The expected battle between the main armies of the rebels and federalists in Mexico has begun, according to dispatches received here from Rellano. Since the defeat of the rebels at Orozco they have been concentrating their strength at Rellano, and have there gathered a force of over 5,000 men.

The federalists have thrown all their available troops against the rebel position, and the battle is even now proceeding. So far it is impossible to predict the outcome, and the fight is expected to be somewhat protracted. Both sides evidently consider the issue of the affair vital, and are fighting with the utmost determination.

In Washington, the result of the battle is awaited with keen interest, as it is believed that it will have a considerable effect on the action of the United States in the matter of possible intervention.

Alleged Bribery of Jury.

Los Angeles, May 23.—Clarence S. Darrow, attorney and chief counsel for the McNamara brothers, and a labour lawyer of wide fame in the United States, has been placed on trial for bribery in connection with the trial of the confessed dynamiter, James B. McNamara, now serving a life term in San Quentin prison.

Darrow is charged with bribing several of the jurors in the trial which came to so sudden an end when the McNamara brothers pleaded guilty to the crimes with which they were charged.

An important part of the case for the prosecution will be the sworn confession of Bert Franklin, a detective for the McNamara defense, who has already confessed to an attempt to bribe a McNamara juror.

The trial is attracting wide interest throughout the United States especially in labour circles, where Darrow is held in high esteem for his [illegible] in the trials of labour leaders. He was the attorney for the defense in the famous Moyer-Heywood-Pettibone trials a few years ago.

In New Jersey.

Trenton, New Jersey, May 23.

Next Tuesday is the day set for the holding of presidential primaries in New Jersey, and the interest in the Republican contest is growing. President Taft and Colonel Roosevelt have started their campaign of speeches in the state, and are everywhere greeted by large throngs.

Taft men are straining every nerve to secure a victory which shall offset the defeat in Ohio, and are already making statements to the effect that they are confident of victory. The Roosevelt forces are equally active, and believe that the Ohio result was the signal for a wave of progressive enthusiasm which shall engulf Taft and his chances.

Negro Rising.

Washington, May 23.

American lives and property are seriously endangered by the negro uprising in Cuba, and the reports of conditions in the island reaching the state department from official and private sources are of such a character as to make action imperative.

The United State government has decided to take measures for the protection of its nationals, and accordingly orders were issued to-day for the immediate dispatch to Guantanamo of a force of 700 marines, equipped for active service. The men will only be used if the need becomes imperative, but it is considered in well informed circles in the capital that there is little doubt that they will be forced to take a hand.

It is further understood that the United States stands ready at an instant's notice to back up this force with a more considerable body of fighting men.

TO ASSASSINATE YUAN.

Serious Charge Against Chinese Editor.

At the Mixed Court, Shanghai, on May 23, before Mr. Kuan, Magistrate, and Mr. Johnson, American Assessor, To Yuen-teu, described as a newspaper editor, of Kaifong Road, was charged on a warrant that he did on May 20, 1912, then being editor of a certain Chinese newspaper called the "Ming Ch'uan Pao," unlawfully print and publish in the said newspaper a certain paragraph or article, and by means of such did unlawfully solicit, encourage and persuade all such persons who might read a copy of the said newspaper to kill and murder four persons mentioned therein, viz: Tang Shao-yi, Yuan Shih-kai, Hsiung Hsu-ling, and Chang Ping-su.

Mr. C. C. Kirk appeared for the prosecution and Mr. J. C. E. Douglas defended.

Mr. Douglas said he would like to ask the Court for a remand, having only been instructed that morning, in order that he might have prepared a translation of the article upon which the charge was based. He understood the accused had been arrested on a warrant.

An Unusual Course.

It was rather an unusual course to take in connection with a prosecution for an article, and he would like to be informed if there was any particular seditious libel, or any newspaper reason for it. He would also apply for bail, and was able to offer very good security. He had not read the article in question, but he understood that the prosecution was in connection with certain things said about the President, Premier, and other people in high authority. It therefore appeared that it was in the nature of political writing, and at such a time as this it did not seem very clear why the police had taken the action they had. China, they knew, had become a democratic country and the Court, or at least the Assessor, would know that in a democratic country people said very frank things about their President and people in high posititions. Even a President and an ex-President had been known to say very frank things about each other. He asked for a remand, and that the accused be let out on security.

Mr. Kirk said with regard to the warrant being issued, that it was not unusual at all in newspaper cases for a warrant to be issued for the arrest of an Editor. It was very frequently done, and if the Court had not deemed it advisable it would have issued a summons. As a remand was asked for he did not propose to go into details, and he did not object to bail if good security was put up. The only object was to secure the attendance of the defendant.

The Court adjourned the hearing for some days, and allowed bail, accepting the security offered by a native bank manager.—"N. China Daily News."

LETTING CHILDREN BEG.

European in Trouble at Shanghai.

John Mills, unemployed, was charged before Mr. King at Shanghai for that he did on May 18, having the custody, charge or care of two female children under the age of sixteen years, procured the said children to be in certain licensed premises, and also in a certain street, for the purposes of begging or receiving alms or inducing the giving of alms contrary to the Children's Act, 1908.

Mr. C. C. Kirk, who prosecuted on behalf of the Police, said that this was the first prosecution under the Act of 1908 in Shanghai. The two children, one aged twelve and another aged six years, were in the licensed premises with a begging letter which the Police had. They were taken home and the defendant, who was the father, admitted having sent them out. The Act was obviously for the protection of children, and it was to this sort of cases that it should apply

Didn't Want Work.

This prosecution had not been rushed into hurriedly, nor had the defendant been without warning. A police officer and a lady connected with a charitable organization visited the defendant at his house and the latter then said that he could not get work, but he had had a job of $50 or $60 a month offered him, but that was not enough. He, therefore, had only himself to blame for being in the Police Court. He did not want to work, and would rather send round his children, whose sex and age made people dispense charity. They got a good deal of money and the father found it more lucrative than working.

Sgt. G. McKie spoke to seeing the children in the licensed premises, and he then called Det. Rye. There were about thirty people in the bar and the letter was taken round to them all. The letter, addressed "to all whom it may concern," stated that the father had been out of work for fifteen months. Then there were margins for the amount subscribed and the name of the donor.

Replying to Mr. Kirk the witness said that the accused spent his time in the Palace Hotel and the Astor House, and he was there nearly every day drinking.

The Magistrate's Difficulty.

His Worship said that he believed this was the first prosecution under the Children's Act in Shanghai and the principal difficulty in dealing with the accused was to find a satisfactory sentence. The Act was one obviously passed for the good of the children, that was to say under Section 14, under which the defendant was charged. He had no doubt that Mills had committed an offence and he would enter a conviction against him, but he was in a difficulty as to what sentence to pass, as there was nowhere for the children to be sent. If he had the accused at Home he could send the prisoner to gaol and under Section 58 the Magistrate could send the children to an industrial school. Here he had to consider whether it was any benefit to the accused or his children to send him to gaol.

Proceeding his Worship said that he had no pity at all for the accused because he could not conceive a white man going so low as to send his children out begging. He would imagine that a man would do anything rather than that. To send his children to beg that he might live was becoming as low as it was possible to be. He trusted that the accused would not repeat the offence, for there was only one thing lower and that was to send one's children on to the streets for immoral purposes. He would enter a conviction against the defendant, but this time he would neither fine nor send him to prison. People would help him if he helped himself. This was his last chance, for if he came before the Court again on a similar charge the Act would be applied with full force.

GENERAL NEWS.

Changes at Aldershot.

The cavalry barracks at Aldershot are to be re-named, the East Barracks becoming Warburg; the West, Willems; and the South, Beaumont.

Clan Party Leader Executed.

A Chinese paper states that a leader of the Imperial Clan Party at Wuchang, a son of Lin Kuei, who has been hiding in the foreign settlements of Hankow under an assumed name, has been captured by emissaries and executed. In Wuchang city, 30,000 rounds of ammunition and 70 rifles belonging to members of the Imperial Clan Party have been seized.

Hangchow Cotton-Mill Stops Work.

The Tung Yi Kung Cotton Mill in Hangchow was stopped work, as the shareholders have refused to advance any capital on account of disagreement. Six or seven hundred hands are thrown out of employment and the situation is causing uneasiness.

Taku Gale-velocity.

The U. S. S. Saratoga, which was at the Taku Bar during the recent storm, had instruments in position to ascertain the velocity of the wind. The "Shanghai Times" notes that the instruments registered the velocity of the wind at 75 miles an hour during a part of the storm.

Shanghai Prisoner's Escape

A prisoner who was sentenced to ten years' imprisonment from Harbin Road last year for being concerned in an armed robbery was recently taken ill at the gaol and was sent to the Police Hospital in Hannen Road for treatment. About 4 a.m. the other day he managed to elude the vigilance of the constables on duty, and escaped from the hospital by means of one of the back windows. He then made his way through the Victoria Nursing Home and passing the watchman at the gate gained the road where he made off towards the country. As soon as he was missed a search was made for him, but no trace could be found. Two Chinese constables who were on duty were charged at the Mixed Court with negligence in allowing the man to escape, and were sentenced to three months' imprisonment each.

Honour to Whom Honour is Due.

The Royal Society of Literature has determined to award its Gold Medal to Mr. Thomas Hardy. The last recipient was George Meredith. The medal is to be presented to Mr. Hardy on his birthday on June 2.

Mining Town Destroyed.

Information has just been received in Singapore to the effect that the little town of Sungei Lembing, Pahang, was practically wiped out by fire on the night of May 11. Sungei Lembing is the centre of the Pahang Consolidated Tin Mining Co.'s activities and its population of about 3,000 is composed for the most part of Chinese mine employees. It is situated thirty miles upstream, on the Kuantan river, from the coast. No details are to hand yet, but it appears that the fire destroyed the whole of the Chinese village and left the Malay kampong, which is a comparatively small section of the settlement, intact. The distress created is very acute. The dishoused inhabitants have had to be accommodated, with little ceremony, in kitchens and outhouses attached to the bungalows of the mines' staff and as the shop and their stocks went in the conflagration there is a shortage of food and other necessities. The management of the mines is doing what it can for the sufferers, but its resources on the spot are limited. Orders have therefore come to Singapore for rice, clothing and other articles, and these have been sent with all despatch by local agents, The Borneo Co., Ltd. —"Straits Times."

Homeward Bound.

Mr. Edwin J. Dingle, author of "Through China on Foot" and "China's Revolution, 1911-12," formerly on the staff of the "Straits Times," left for Home from Shanghai on May 21. While in the old country he will be married to a medical lady who has just returned from Yunnan to England.

MORE PIRACY.

Nine Arrests.

Another case of piracy came to light late on May 22 when Inspector Mellows of the River Police arrested nine pirates who were on board a Japanese steam launch which had put back to Shanghai. The launch which is the property of the Taito S. N. Co., left early in the evening. When at a place called Yangdu a boat put off from shore and came up to the launch, remaining alongside. The action of the men, a number of whom boarded the launch ostensibly as passengers, caused suspicion to rest on them and the Inodah of the launch put back for Shanghai. As soon as the launch arrived at the jetty the Japanese Consulate-General was informed of the matter and a report of the occurrence was sent to the Police, who went on the vessel and searched the passengers. According to the "Shanghai Times" nine men were arrested. No arms were found. They were taken to the Nantao Court for a hearing.

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A PLEA FOR PATIENCE.

If the inner history of the Chinese Revolution ever comes to be faithfully written, it will, without a doubt, be found that the part played therein by the Chinese of Hongkong, particularly of the merchant class, was a much more active one than most people at present imagine to have been the case. Because of the right of asylum which they enjoyed at the very door of their native land, they were able to pave the way for the great uprising in a variety of ways; indeed, the view is held in some quarters that the rebellion was very largely engineered from a block of buildings in Bonham Strand. But that as it may, it is certain that nowhere were there more enthusiastic supporters of the anti-Manchu revolt and probably none who gave more liberally of their substance to help forward the cause.

Ever since those days the leading Chinese of Hongkong have wielded very considerable influence over the Provisional Government at Canton, and we have again and again observed the somewhat strange anomaly of men who have their abode and most of their interests in Hongkong practically dictating to the authorities in Canton what they may and may not do. One very marked instance of this character has been provided by the recent protests of local Chinese against the suggested establishment of a plague ward at Whampoa for the detention of sufferers returning to Canton from Hongkong and Macao. A joint letter sent to Canton by a hundred Hongkong merchants described the proposal as "absolutely opposed to humanity." But, what is more significant than this attitude, is the obvious impatience displayed by these people at the slow measure of progress being attained by the new regime, for in the same communication they assert that "although the Republic has been established, the people have not yet received the blessings of independence and are still being subjected to despotic and drastic measures. Moreover," they continue, "the Council at Canton has been in existence many months but has as yet failed to procure any benefits for the people whom they are supposed to represent, and the petitioners ask that the Council be dissolved and a new election be held." From the tone of this protest it would appear that the ignorant masses were not the only ones who imagined that the mere declaration of a Republic meant the instant advent of the Millenium, and we confess to being surprised that shrewd, intelligent Chinese merchants should, at this early stage in the transition period, speak of "the blessings of independence"—whatever they may conceive those to be—as not yet being realised.

For the foreigner, who is accustomed to rapid methods of progress and reform, there is perhaps some little excuse for impatience at this juncture in Chinese affairs, but in the bold experiment to which the nation is now committed, her leaders have a right to expect from their own nationals, not petty criticisms and absurd demands—as for example the dissolution of a Provincial Council on such vague grounds as those mentioned in the Hongkong protest—but helpful and constructive advice and aid. Above all, critics of the type of those under notice will do well to remember that the desires of the few must always remain subservient to the rights of the many.

DAY BY DAY.

Raillery is a mode of speaking in favour of one's wits at the expense of one's better nature.

Sudden Death.

The son of the foreman of the Forestry Department died suddenly yesterday; it is supposed that he was a plague victim.

Death Duties on Mr. Keswick's Estate.

It is expected that the estate left by the late Mr. W. Keswick (Jardine, Matheson and Co.) will have to pay death duties amounting to £65,000.

King's Birthday Parade.

The Volunteers are taking part in the King's Birthday Parade on the Cricket Ground on Monday next. Usually the Parade is confined to Regulars and Marines.

Minotaur Remains at Singapore for King's Birthday.

It is likely that H. M. S. Minotaur, on her return from Colombo after recommissioning there, will remain at Singapore for the King's Birthday celebrations before going on to join the Admiral's flag in China waters.

Possessing Opium.

For being in unlawful possession of opium a Chinese dressed in European clothes was fined $5 at the Police Court this morning. His defence was that he had been given the opium by a friend who was trying to break off the habit of opium smoking.

Chinese and the Lady.

At the Police Court this morning a Chinese was charged with behaving in a disorderly manner and damaging the property of a Chinese woman to the extent of $4.

He was fined $2 and ordered to pay $5 for the damage done.

Dead Bodies.

A number of dead bodies have been found in the open by the police over night, and in two instances death was due to plague. Special constables were on duty as watchmen in the Western district yesterday in consequence of the prevalence of plague in that locality.

Leave of Absence.

Leave of absence on private affairs, to the neighbouring countries, has been granted to Lieut. C. J. Aston, R.E., from June 1 to September 30; the leave of absence granted to Lieutenants A. G. Buchanan and F. L. Brown, R.E., commenced on the 25th instant.

Boy Assaulted.

At the Police Court, this morning, a Chinese was charged with assaulting a boy, the latter appearing with his head bandaged.

The Police said the trouble was really a family squabble.

The Magistrate bound the parties over.

Library Visitors.

The following is the return of visitors to the City Hall library and museum for the week ending May 26, 1912.—

	Library.	Museum
Non-Chinese...	347	144
Chinese.....	144	2,610
Total ...	491	2,754

Plague Return.

The number of communicable diseases which have been notified as occurring in the Colony during the week ended May 28 was as follows:—Bubonic plague, 199 cases and 168 deaths; enteric fever 2 cases, 1 death; smallpox, 2 cases, 1 death. The total number of cases of plague from January 1 is 1,059 and of deaths 951.

Li Sum-ling to the Fore.

Chinese residents of Manila are said to be prepared to invest pesos 500,000 in domestic loan bonds so soon as China can issue them. This subscription, says the "Singapore Free Press," has been engineered by Li Sum-ling, the young Hongkong journalist whom Mr. Gordon Bennett, of the "New York Herald," once took under his wing.

New U. S. Consul Official for Shanghai.

Mr. M. F. Perkins, Vice and Deputy Consul at Chefoo, will shortly assume duties in the U.S. Consulate at Shanghai, taking the place of Mr. G. C. Hanson, who recently, says the "Shanghai Times," crossed to Japan for his health and who will proceed from there north to Chefoo.

LETTING THE OLD POST OFFICE.

HUGE RETURN FOR SMALL RENTAL.

Interesting Disclosures in Court.

Interesting information was given on the letting of the Old Post Office premises in the Supreme Court to-day when the defendant in the case, and lessee of the building in cross-examination by Mr. Potter, admitted that for the ground floor alone he was receiving $1,000 per month, while for the upper floor he was receiving $255. In answer to a question put to the government by the Hon Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C. at a meeting of the Legislative Council last year it was stated that the rent paid by the lessee was $406 per month.

The case in which these facts came to light is the one still being continued before Mr. Justice Gompertz in which Alexander Kotas, George Maidonis, and George Tsamtsacopulas, trading as tobacconists at the Old Post Office, sued Li Hing, trader of 152 Queen's Road, for $100 damages for breach of a contract in which the defendant agreed to construct a verandah on premises occupied by the plaintiffs.

Mr. Eldon Potter, instructed by Mr. Grist of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, appeared for the plaintiffs, and Mr. C. G. Alabaster, Hon. Attorney-General, instructed by Mr. J. H. Gardiner, defended.

Li Hing, the defendant, in reply to Mr. Potter, said he became lessee of the old Post Office buildings for the space of two years. He placed the work of preparing plans, for alterations to the premises, in the hands of Mr. Hazeland; these plans having to be shown to possible tenants. Part of the alterations, which he contemplated, was the erection of a verandah.

You imagined that the verandah would be built for $800 or $900?—Yes.

In reply to subsequent questions, witness said he would charge the same for the ground floor, whether there were a verandah or no.

Concerning Rents.

Your total rental for top floor is $255?—Yes.

What is vacant at the top?—Three rooms.

At the back?—In the middle.

They are not facing Queen's Road?—No, Pedder St.

For the bottom floor how much are you getting?—One portion $375, one for $300, one for $180.80, one for $48 and the other for $40.

Mr. Sternberg's is $360; you have not put him in. Have you forgotten him?—Yes.

So there is another $360 to go on?—$360 instead of $300.

Mr. Potter.—That is $1,003 for the ground floor.

Do you suggest that, if you had a verandah on the ground floor, you would not charge more?—I should charge the same rate.

And would you charge the top floor the same rent?—Yes, the same as at present.

You took the price of the verandah into account as well as other considerations when deciding the rent you would charge?—Yes.

You afterwards found that the verandah would cost considerably more?—Yes.

The verandah would cost about $1,000 more than you thought?—Yes.

During the negotiations with the plaintiffs you pointed out the verandah on the plan and said: "You must not take it that there is a verandah, though it is on the plan"?—Yes.

Did you say you would have to get the Government's permission before you erected it?—No.

You never suggested that it would be built?—No.

Why did you put that verandah on the plan at all?—There was a bathroom on the top floor and I was going to have that taken down and a verandah built, so that people could walk about.

You were prepared to expend the sum of $800 to $900 on a verandah?—Yes.

That was in June?—Yes.

Ordered the Verandah.

And, in fact, you ordered the verandah from MacDonald in Kowloon?—Yes.

It took some weeks to make?—Yes.

Eventually it was made and brought over?—Yes.

And up to that time you thought it would cost $800 or $900?—Yes.

And up to that time you were willing to erect it, if it only came to that sum?—Yes. I intended to build the verandah but I did not get the permit.

Isn't it true, you arranged that, if you could get a verandah for $800 or $900 and the government granted a permit, you would build it?—Yes.

And was not Mr. Hazeland pointing out the verandah to prospective tenants?—Yes.

Then Mr. Hazeland would be entitled to tell prospective tenants that you intended building a verandah?—He had no authority to tell them so.

Well, was he simply to point out the verandah on the plan, and say nothing?—It was part of his duty to tell them of the alterations.

What was he to tell them about the verandah; that you were going to build the verandah, or not?—He would have to explain to tenants according to the plan.

You said you did not tell the plaintiffs about the verandah, except to warn them not to expect it because it was on the plan?—I told them it was on the plan.

Did you ever tell the plaintiffs anything about the verandah?—I told them they should not think there was a verandah on the ground-floor, even though it was on the plan.

The plaintiffs have sworn that you said you would build it for them if you got a Government permit. Do you deny that?—I did not say that.

Advantage of a Verandah.

Mr. Alabaster:—What advantage would a verandah be to you?—There would be some advantage on the top floor.

Witness explained that, with the new verandah, he would be able to transform two bathrooms on the old verandah into offices.

The managing clerk to Mr. Hazeland said he told the two plaintiffs that it was intended to have a verandah on Queen's Road. However, he made no definite promise on the matter nor did anyone else, in his hearing.

At a subsequent interview the defendant told the plaintiffs that it was not certain whether there would be verandah or not.

His Lordship reserved judgment.

A FREE FIGHT.

Taking Water from the Hydrants.

Yesterday a number of men were busy taking water from one of the street hydrants and an argument as to priority developed into a scuffle. A Chinese constable arrived on the scene and for attempting to restore order he was threatened by one of the men who waved a formidable looking bamboo pole.

Four of the men were arrested and appeared before Mr. Melbourne, at the Police Court, this morning. They were found guilty and fined $2 each or in default five days.

ALLEGED THEFT OF A PROMISSORY NOTE.

An Indian named Suder Singh was charged before Mr. Melbourne with stealing a promissory note from another Indian, the value of which was $100.

Mr. R. Harris appeared for the plaintiff and asked for a remand. He said he could call evidence to prove that defendant had no right to take the promissory note, that he was seen at the drawer wherein the note was kept, seen taking papers away and that later he offered to sell the note for $50. Referring to bail Mr. Harris said the defendant was on board a ship about to leave for India when arrested.

The Magistrate adjourned the case until Wednesday, fixing bail at $100.

CHINESE BOARDING HOUSE KEEPER FINED.

Where Suspicious Characters Reside.

At the Police Court, this morning, a Chinese named Tam Sing was fined $50 for keeping the premises, 182 Des Voeux Road, as a Chinese hotel or boarding house without a licence.

Inspector Wills prosecuted, and in the course of his evidence, said he had to watch the ships for undesirables. In nearly every instance that he stopped people on the ships they had given the defendant's place as their last place of residence. When he visited the place he found the names of 58 persons entered in the book. He went upstairs and found 55 of them, men and women. He asked them whey there were going and they all said Siam.

Mr. F. X. D'Almada, who defended, said there was no translation of any payment for board and lodging in the book, only the names of the people.

A woman was called to give evidence for the prosecution, and whilst she admitted being there, she could not say what the charges were, as she had her expenses paid by other women with whom she was travelling.

Mr. D'Almada contended that was no evidence to prove that the defendant was guilty of keeping a boarding house. There was no evidence of any payment, and he would submit that a man could fill his place with friends as much as he liked without having to take out a licence. His client was a rice merchant and did a lot of trade with Siam, and, when these people were passing through, they often stayed there the night. No payments had been made and there was therefore no case. He did not consider there was any necessity to call his client to give evidence on his own behalf as the prosecution had failed to make out any case against him. It did not matter what had occurred anterior to this case; the Bench had to deal with the facts as put forward concerning the case in question. He thought his client should be dismissed, and he would ask his Worship to give a verdict to that effect.

Mr. Melbourne considered the case was proved and imposed the fine mentioned.

MYSTERIOUS THEFT ON THE S.S. SOSHU MARU

Strong Room Broken Open and Valuable Cargo Stolen.

What appears to have been a rather startling theft took place on the Osaka Shosen Kaisha s.s. Soshu Maru this morning. There appear to be quite a number of different tales going the rounds as to what actually happened on board the steamer but the most astonishing story had quite a dramatic flavour.

According to this report, six men are said to have boarded the steamer at about five o'clock in the morning armed with revolvers, and meeting the quartermaster to have held him up with their weapons while six chests of opium were removed from the ship.

Enquiry at the offices of the shipping company showed that the firm was going to be reticent about the whole affair and our representative was told that something in the nature of a "tiff" had occurred on board and that there had been a larceny of some goods.

Eventually, though we were unable to obtain any confirmation of the story of the quartermaster being held up, we were informed that at about four o'clock in the morning the strong room of the vessel was broken open and some valuable cargo removed.

ALICE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

"Oak Apple Day."

In these days when ancient customs are begining to fall into disrepute it is interesting to record the fact that to-day (May 29) is "Oak Apple Day," or "Royal Oak Day," as it is variously styled. In commemoration of the miraculous restoration of Charles II, the day was formerly universally observed throughout England, and, until as late as 1859, there was a special form of prayer in recognition of the day in the Prayer Book. There was also a sermon usually preached on this day in St. Margaret's Church, Westminister, by the Chaplain of the House of Commons before the "House" (usually represented by the Speaker, the Sergeant-at-Arms, other officers and some half-dozen members), but this observance has been discontinued since 1858.

Some of the Customs.

The day was observed in various ways in different parts of the country. In the North of England the common people used to wear in their hats the leaves of the oak, sometimes gilded, while in other parts the wearing of an oaken leaf was enforced, especially among boys, by a variety of methods, the idea being to reproach the neglectful for want of loyalty. In some cases young loyalists went out armed with nettles in order to coerce those unprovided with the "Royal oak;" while among West-country schoolboys there is still a saying:—

Show us your oak
Or you get a poke.

Sometimes those boys who were unable to procure oak leaves endeavoured to avoid the penalties of their lack of foresight by wearing "dog oak" (maple), but the punishment was always the more severe on discovery of the imposition. It is well to recall these fast-dying customs, and many a more ill-conceived movement has been launched than the revival of some of these old observances would be.

The Attack that Failed.

A quaint story of Chinese cuteness comes from Manila. It appears that, under the command of Sergeant Henderson of the Moisic precinct, a squad of American police in civilian attire attacked and practically destroyed the famous fortified opium den at 730, Calle Santo Cristo, Manila, last week. This place has been under surveillance for a long time. The attack was a concerted one but futile, as, by the time the barricades, which consisted of hard wood doors strengthened with iron bars and steel plates, were broken in, the Chinese inside, previously warned by a spy, had made their escape.

The Wily Coolie.

The spy in this instance was a Chinese sitting on the sidewalk tending a carabao, and having a look depicted on his face of the same lack of interest in his surroundings as his carabao. But he had at his feet, concealed in the crack between two flagstones, a push-button with which he gave the warning to the inmates of the den as soon as the police arrived and started to break their way in. Investigation showed that the system of wiring was very complete and extensive.

To Uncle Rudyard.

The following from the "Sydney Evening Post," merits quotation:—

When Kipling was a stripling,
He wrote in metres rippling,
And his rhyming had a chiming
Like the music of the bells.
His singing came a-ringing
With a youthful gladness, bringing
To the weary and the dreary
Not alone, the [illegible] that sell
But the blessing and caressing
Little songs that kept us guessing
With their sad words, and their
bad words,
Just the words that told the
tale;
But the years come, and the [illegible]
come,
And the doubting and the [illegible]
come,
And the nieces of the species
Are more deadly than the
nephews.

LAWN TENNIS NOTES.

By "Half Volley."

The League season is now in full swing in Hongkong, and, despite the hot weather which we have been experiencing of late, the matches are being keenly fought by the nine Clubs engaged in the competition. Every Saturday sees a full programme of contests, and a good deal of speculation exists as to who will claim the shield this year. The League is still in its youthful days, but the wisdom of starting this competition has been abundantly proved, since it adds a spirit of friendly rivalry to a game which has become immensely popular in the Colony in recent years.

So far, Kowloon and the European Y.M.C.A. have been the only Clubs to hold the trophy, but this season there is a strong possibility of one of the other teams securing the honours. Queen's College head the League table at present, being the only side which has not tasted the bitters of defeat. There are four other Clubs who have only been beaten once, and there is no knowing what any of these may yet do ere the competition is ended. It is certain that the two previous champions will still make a bold bid for top place, while the fact that Civil Service now include such a rattling good pair as Nisbet and Phelips in their team, shows that they are by no means to be reckoned as out of the running yet.

Though the present leaders have experienced some very narrow squeaks, this season—they defeated Y.M.C.A. by a single game and the Club de Recreio by a margin of three only—they certainly have the best chance, and if they can manage to overcome Kowloon in the next match, they stand a good sporting chance of carrying off the shield. They will need to play for all they are worth to do so, however.

Kowloon have not such a good all-round lot of players to rely on as in former years, and as yet their form has been none too convincing, their worst display being given in their unsuccessful trial with the Portuguese Club. Their hope lies in deciding on a well-selected team and playing it without change, if this be possible. With the Y.M.C.A. the chief difficulty is, as with some of the other Clubs, to find a reliable, steady third pair. Hickling and Joseland are a tower of strength to the Club, and it is to be doubted if any other couple will repeat their performance of Saturday when they won all 33 games played.

In tennis, as in all other games, little disputes occasionally arise in connection with the rules, on which players differ. There was such an instance during one of the League matches on Saturday. The ball was driven from one side of the net to beyond the base-line on the other. One of the players was standing here outside the limits of the Court, and the ball, during its flight, struck him before touching ground. The question to be decided was which side could claim the point.

On the rules there can be no doubt that, for failing to get out of the way of the ball, the player struck loses. The rule (No. 20) says:—"Either player loses a stroke if the ball in play touch him or anything that he wears or carries, except his racket in the act of striking, or if he volley the ball (unless he thereby makes a good return) *no matter whether he is standing within the precincts of the Court or outside them.*" In effect, the ball is "living" until it strikes the ground, and any player obstructing its course (inside the court or outside) loses the point. It's a matter worth bearing in mind.

POLICE CONSTABLE IN TROUBLE.

FROLICS IN THE TERRACE.

At the Police Court, this afternoon, P.C. 1028, Edward Pardon, Michael Richard, and Robert Jackson were charged with acting in a disorderly Manner at 44, Lyndhurst Terrace and stealing therefrom a box containing chits belonging to the house.

Mr. Irving advised the police constable to plead not guilty on both charges.

This course he adopted.

Assistant Superintendant King said the facts were that on the 14th inst., at one thirty in the morning, the three defendants, who were under the influence of liquor at the time, went into a house, Number 44 Lyndhurst Terrace and asked for drink. They got some whiskey and soda and the boy, so he was told, called coolie and told him to give them the drink, and then left the room. Shorty afterwards the boy came down and went to his desk, the one in which he kept his own things and also a cigar-box in which he kept the chits left by people. He found the desk empty and the cigar-box missing. He then went to the main door, and there he saw another boy. He told him he had lost his box and the second boy said the three men had gone and one of them had his (the boy's) hat. He had to follow the man for it. He got the hat back. He informed the Number One boy that he saw one of the men carrying the box Another boy said he saw one of the defendants with the box. He (the Number One boy) followed the defendants and asked for the box. One of the defendants said "You will get it back to-morrow; that's all right." The third defendant (Jackson) went away. Neither the box nor the chits were seen afterwards. However, about two nights afterwards, the first and second defendant went back and explained the matter. The box and the paper contained were not seen afterwards. The third defendant left the Colony and could not be found at the time. He was eventually arrested on a warrant, the day before yesterday. Those were the facts of the case.

Mr. Irving:—Pardon is charged under the Police Ordinance 1900 Is he a special constable?

Mr. King:—Yes he is a special constable. There are two charges.

Mr. Irving:—They first thing you have to prove is that he is a constable in order to convict him under Ordinance 11 and 12, 1900. If he is a special constable appointed by the Peace Preservation Ordinance, which is no longer in force, he ceases to be a constable.

Mr. King.—They were sworn in again, your worship, when taken on for a further period.

Mr. Irving:—As an ordinary constable?

Mr. King:—Yes; they are police officers coming under the Police Ordinance.

Mr. Irving:—I think I ought to see that.

No 1 Boy's Story.

The No. 1 boy employed at the house in question, who had been there for the past six years, stated that on the 14th May, about half past one in the morning, the three defendants went to the house, first of all going into witness's small room. They asked him for wine. His room was on the ground floor, and the entrance to it was from a side door. Witness said he was busy at the time, so he instructed a coolie to serve them. Three whiskies and sodas were served.

Mr. King: When the men came in, had they been drinking, or were they sober?

Witness: They had been drinking but the third was the worst.

By the Magistrate: The first defendant was not in uniform.

Witness returned to his room about ten minutes afterwards, and found the defendants had gone. He went to his desk, and found that his cigar-box had gone. The key to the desk was in the hole, but it was not turned. He saw the box when the defendants went into the room. He went to look for the three men, going out by the side door, and he met No. 3 boy. He asked him if he had seen three Europeans.

The subsequent evidence, consisting of statements made, was disallowed.

Witness asked the boy if had seen his box and he said he had seen three Europeans with it.

Mr. King:—Did you know these men?—I have seen the first defendant twice, the second a good many times, but I have never seen the third defendant before.

Witness said he saw the three defendants, and he noticed that the first defendant had the box under his arm.

Can you say for certain that it was your box.—Yes.

How?—I asked him for it back, and I told him there were chits inside. He gave the box to the third defendant.

Did the second man do anything?—He said "never mind; I will ask them to give it back to you."

Have you ever had the box back?—The third man took the box away.

Have you seen it since?—No.

What happened two days afterwards?—The first two defendants came into my room about 9 p.m; the first defendant spoke to me, and said his friend who took the cigar-box had torn the chits up.

Did your mistress come down that night?—Yes, while the men were there.

Whom did she speak to?—The first defendant went outside and spoke to her.

This morning you came up to the gaol, didn't you?—Yes.

And you saw the third defendant with five other Europeans?—Yes.

You were asked to point out any man who was in your room on the 14th?—Yes.

And didn't you say "I think that is the man, but I am not sure"!—Yes.

Did they pay you any money for the drink?—No.

His Worship.—As a matter of fact, you don't know whether they had a drink or not?—Yes, I do.

How?—I saw the coolie taking the drinks in.

Why did you look in your desk?—Because they came in, and were drunk, and commenced interfering with my things.

In answer to further questions by the magistrate, the boy repeated that the first defendant took the box.

Have you got to make good any money on this box?—I am afraid, I may have to.

The first defendant was asked if he had any questions to put and he replied that he would rather make his statement.

Mr. Irving said that was somewhat unusual and the defendant proceeded to ask questions.

The witness was asked if he saw No. 1 defendant standing with the box under his arm, and he replied that he did.

The reason why the boy did not blow a police whistle or try to detain the defendant was because he thought he was joking, and that he would return the box The second defendant told him not to mind.

Witness said he saw the third defendant walking quickly away from the house, but he did not run after him, as he thought the box would be returned.

The first defendant: If you knew who had the box, why did you go to the Globe Hotel and ask who had the box:—Because the second defendant had left, and I wanted to recover the box.

Witness said he knew who had the box.

Why didn't you go after the third defendant?—I went after him as well.

The third defendant said he was not there that night.

Another boy gave evidence, stating that when the three defendants went to the house on the 14th he was in the pantry. He had seen the first defendant several times before, and he had not seen the second man before the 14th. He could not swear to the third defendant. The defendants stayed in the house about ten minutes. One of them took his hat. He was going in as they were coming out. He went into the pantry but he did not remain there. He stood in the doorway. The reason he did not stay inside was because it was too hot. He did not see any one go into the room of the number one boy. He saw one of the defendants wearing his hat as the three of them were coming out. He saw the police constable with something under his left arm. He then went upstairs.

By the Magistrate:—As he was going in the side door he met the number one boy and he spoke to him. He told him about his hat being taken and that he had got it back. He told the number one boy that the first defendant had something under his left arm. He (the Number one) ran out of the side door.

By the Constable:—The defendants went out of the side door as he was coming in. He did not know what was under first defendant's arm. There was something underneath his clothing.

Both civilians were discharged. The police constable was found not guilty of the charge of larceny, but was found guilty of misconduct under the Police Ordinance and was fined $50 or one month.

THE BIG PEARL THEFT.

How the Queen of Siam's Jewels Disappeared.

A telegram in to-day's issue announces that Paul de Boseck has been found guilty of retaining the Queen of Siam's jewellery. Some facts concerning the gems from the Dowager Queen of Siam's famous pearl rope which disappeared so mysteriously in 1909, while on the way to the hands of its Royal owner, should prove interesting. The theft was committed about April, 1909, and so cleverly was it carried out that the pearls might well have vanished into thin air for all the traces that they left. Unremitting investigations were carried on by the police of Bangkok and—for very good reasons—the police of Singapore and other centres since the date of the crime. Up till a month or two ago, however, no arrest had been made, but latterly the London police apprehended the man de Boseck. To those "in the know" the event did not come in the nature of a surprise, for de Boseck's movements had been followed for a considerable time, and his arrest, on a charge of retaining stolen property, was expected to befall sooner or later.

De Boseck as a Wharfinger.

In 1909 the late King of Siam was still upon the throne, and, at the beginning of that year, he sent a large number of magnificent pearls, part of the Royal collection, to the Association of Diamond Merchants, London, to be made into a rope which, when completed, was intended as a birthday present for his consort, the Queen. The gems were of the purest flawless description, and were sufficient in number and beauty to make a magnificent rope ten feet in length. This ornament, along with some other jewellery, was packed in a pinin deal case, iron-bound and nailed fast, at London. The case was shipped on board the Norddeutscher Lloyd steamer Luetzow for transmission to the East. In the strong-room of the Luetzow it was secure, and it was still intact when trans-shipped from that vessel to the steamer Doli, at Singapore. The Doli, which plies between that port and Siam, conveyed the precious box to Bangkok, where the captain handed it over to the wharfinger in charge there. That wharfinger was Paul de Boseck.

The history of the box's movements for the following four hours has yet to be told. It was four hours after it was landed at Bankkok that it was delivered to Chamun Chong Kwa, Court Chamberlain in the suite of Her Majesty the Queen, at his house. There is little doubt that the pearls were stolen during that interval of four hours, but whether at the wharf or at the Chamberlain's house, or on the way between, remains to be discovered. At all events, when Chamun Chong Kwa opened the box, the pearl rope and the other jewellery were gone. The fastenings of the box showed no signs of having been tampered with, and whoever loosened the iron bands and unscrewed the nails had done the work cleverly.

Sales of Pearls.

The subsequent history of de Boseck is interesting, as providing the evidence which led to his arrest. He came to Singapore some time in 1910, and was employed, we are informed, as an accountant, by a well-known local firm, since defunct. He gambled openly and on a fairly large scale with bookmakers, and is still remembered very vividly by many people in the Arcade. In the course of his stay he is alleged to have sold pearls, on several occasions, to a number of people, among others to Messrs. Ismail and Raheem, a man named Haimovitch and Mr. J. H. Wills. The two pearls mentioned in connection with the police-court proceedings in London belong to a different transaction. They were given to M. S. Crown, the bookmaker, as security for an advance of $800, and Crown sold them at a later date to Son Levi, another bookmaker.

To-day's Advertisements

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(Sd.) W. CHATHAM,
Water Authority.
Public Works Department.
Hongkong, 27th May, 1912. [401

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"E. of India" ...	,, June 22	"Allan Line".....	,, July 19.
"E. of Japan" ...	,, July 13	"E. of Ireland"...	,, Aug. 9.

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For	Steamship	On
MANILA	YUENSANG*	Saturday, 1st June, 2 P.M.
SHANGHAI	HANGSANG†	Sunday, 2nd June, Daylight.
TIENTSIN	CHIPSHING*	Monday, 3rd June, Noon.
SANDAKAN	MAUSANG†	Wednesday, 5th June, 4 P.M.
MANILA	LOONGSANG*	Saturday, 8th June, 2 P.M.
S'HAI, KOBE & MOJI	NAMSANG †*	Monday, 10th June, Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	FOOKSANG*	Thursday, 13th June, Noon.

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Hongkong, 28th May, 1912. [8

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For	Steamers.	Date of Departure.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	MONMOUTHSHIRE...	About 1st June.
LONDON, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP	DENBIGHSHIRE * ...	,, 30th June.

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Hongkong, 15th April, 1912. [94

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SUNDAY, 2ND JUNE.

The Company's Steamship,
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will depart from the Company's WING LOK WHARF at 9 A.M. Departure from Macao at 3 P.M.

N. B.—The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at 7.30 A.M. and from Hongkong at 12.30 P.M., from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

MONDAY, 3RD JUNE.

S.S. "SUI AN" will make an excursion trip to MACAO, leaving Hongkong at 9 A.M. and returning from Macao at 4 P.M.

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Destination.	Steamers.	Sailing Dates.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG COLOMBO, SUEZ & PORT SAID ...	KITANO MARU, Capt. F. E. Cope, T. 9,000	WEDNESDAY, 5th June, at Daylight.
	IYO MARU, Capt. R. Takeda, T. 7,000	WEDNESDAY, 19th June, at Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C., & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, SHIMIZU & YOKOHAMA	§KAMAKURA MARU, Capt. K. Asakawa, T. 7,000	TUESDAY, 4th June, at 4 P.M.
	§TAMBA MARU, Capt. S. Wada, T. 7,000	TUESDAY, 18th June, at 4 P.M.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE.....	NIKKO MARU, Capt. Yagi, T. 6,00	FRIDAY, 7th June, at Noon.
	KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winckler, T. 6,000	FRIDAY, 5th July, at Noon.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TANGO MARU, Capt. E. Kawara, T. 8,000	THURSDAY, 6th June.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	*WAKASA MARU, Capt. N. Nielon, T. 7,000	WEDNESDAY, 5th June.
N'SAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA...	KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winckler, T. 6,000	WED'DAY, 5th June, at Noon.

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IYO MARU	7,000	R. Takeda	June 19th.

FOR SEATTLE.

KAMAKURA MARU	7,000	K. Sooda	June 4th.
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5] T. KUSUMOTO, Manager.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

For	Steamers.	To Sail.
HAIPHONG	"SUNGKIANG"	30th May 9 A.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	30th ,, 4 P.M.
AMOY, NINGPO & S'HAI	"ICHANG"	31st ,, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	1st June M'night.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	"KAIFONG"	4th ,, 4 P.M.
HAIPHONG	"SINGAN"	6th ,, 9 A.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHINHUA"	6th ,, 4 P.M.
WEIHAIWEI, & TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	8th ,, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"ANHUI"	8th ,, M'night.

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,, SEGOVIA..... 6th June.	For Havre, Bremen & Hamburg:
,, SILESIA .....20th June.	S.S. SCANDIA .....5th June.
,, P. BULOW...27th June.	For Marseilles, Hamburg & Antwerp:
	S.S. ANDALUSIA ... 13th June.
	For Rotterdam, Hamburg & Antwerp:
	S.S. BAYERN..... 18th June:
	For Marseilles, Havre & Hamburg:
	S.S. LIBERIA ..... 27th June.

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Hamburg-Amerika Linie,
Hongkong Office. [12

HONGKONG—PHILIPPINES.

PHILIPPINES STEAMSHIP CO.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Date.
ZAFIRO ...	4000	M. C. Smith.	Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu.	THURSDAY, 30th May, 4 P.M.
RUBI	4000	S. A. Crosby	Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu.	MONDAY, 10th June, 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage apply to
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JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

Regular Fortnightly Service between
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Steamer	From	Expected on or about	For	Will leave on or about
Tjikini	JAVA	—	JAVA	2nd half May.
Tjitarum	JAVA	—	JAPAN	2nd half May.
Tjibodas	JAVA	1st half June	SHANGHAI	1st half June.
Tjipanas	JAPAN	1st half June	JAVA	1st half June.
Tjiliwong	JAVA	1st half June	JAPAN	2nd half June.
Tjilatjap	JAVA	2nd half June	SHANGHAI	1st half July.
Tjimanoek	JAVA	1st half July	JAPAN	1st half July.
Tjimahi	JAVA	2nd half July	SHANGHAI	2nd half July.

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PROPOSED SAILING FROM HONGKONG. (Subject to alteration).

Steamer	Tons	Captain	Date of sailing
S.S. "Tenyo Maru"	21,000	E. Bent	June 4th, Noon.
S.S. "Shinyo Maru"	21,000	H. S. Smith	June 25th, Noon.
S.S. "Chiyo Maru"	11,000	W. W. Greene	July 23rd, Noon.

† These steamers are equipped with Turbine Engines and Triple Screws.
All steamers carry Japanese Government wireless telegraph and post officer.

INTERMEDIATE SERVICE.

The triple screw steamer "Tenyo Maru" will be despatched for San Francisco via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, SHIMIDZU, YOKOHAMA & HONOLULU on TUESDAY, the 4th June, at Noon.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Steamer	Tons	Date of Sailing.
Hongkong Maru	11,000	Friday, June 7, Noon.
Kiyo Maru	17,500	Saturday, Aug. 6, Noon.
Buyo Maru	10,500	Friday, October 4, Noon.

For Further Particulars as to Passage and Freight, apply to
13] S. MORIMOTO, *Agent.*
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LOG BOOK.

N. Y. K. Guide.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha Official Shippers' Guide for 1912 is an elaborately produced volume and contains some 600 pages of information and advertisements with reference to commercial enterprises in all parts of the world. The guide is international in scope and of original design, and is to be systematically distributed, gratis, throughout the world. One of its most interesting and most useful features is an international buyers' and sellers' list, classified in five languages. The carefully indexed general information is intended for the use of importers, exporters, industrial managers, government, municipal, railway, and mining officials, and plantation owners in the principal commercial centres of the East and West. It contains also much information on travel, and many illustrated articles. The guide should prove of considerable value as a trade reference book. It has been planned on a large scale, and the design has been carried through with a completeness which is highly creditable to the publishers.

Explosives on Passenger Ships.

A correspondent writes to the "Singapore Free Press:" "Now that the attention of the ocean travelling public is being called to the inadequacy of the life saving appliances on board passenger-carrying ships, a state of affairs brought to light by the terrible Titanic disaster, can something not be done to secure the greater safety of passengers from other threatened dangers? I refer to the danger of carrying high explosives on passenger carrying ships. I believe it is a fact that had the P. and O. Syria which was recently in collision with the French steamer Circe in the Mediterranean, been struck about ten feet further aft the vessel, probably both would have been blown to pieces. The Syria was carrying a large cargo of explosives, and if the force of the impact had been directed on the magazine room there is no knowing what would have happened. Is it right that passengers should be subjected to risks that could very well be avoided?"

Notice to Mariners in Japanese Waters.

Notice is given by the Department of Communications that the temporary light which has been shown pending the reconstruction work of Soya-misaki lighthouse at the north end of Soya-misaki, Kitami province, has been altered as undermentioned:—

Position:—104 ft. N. 71 deg. 45' E. from the former temporary light.

Description:—Wooden lattice-work.

Height of light:—24 ft. from the base, and 101 ft. above the water.

Distance visible:—16 nautical miles in clear weather.

No change has been made in the character of light, etc.

Madeleine Rickmers May Be Salved.

The German steamer Madeleine Rickmers, which stranded off Sendzumura, Vries Island, some time ago, had been given up for lost and her hull offered for sale at auction. It is now reported that the Yamashina Marine Works, of Tokyo, have said that there is hope of salving the vessel by cutting the hull in two. The owner of the vessel has cancelled the offer to sell, and commissioned the Yamashina Works to save what they can. The Company has started hauling up the sea-damaged goods in the hold of the steamer before commencing work on the hull.

DR. WILDER'S HEALTH.

News was received at the Shanghai American Consulate on May 24 that Dr. A. P. Wilder, Consul-General, was regaining his health and strength. In the letter, which was written from California, Dr. Wilder expresses the hope that he will soon be back in Shanghai, as the illness which compelled him to take leave has now disappeared and he is well advanced in the convalescent stage.

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European Ports.

Destination.	Vessel's Name.	For Freight Apply To	To be Dispatched.
London and Antwerp	Denbighshire	J. M. & Co.	15 June
do do	Glenstrae	S. T. & Co.	31 May, about
Marseilles, Hamburg and Antwerp	Andalusia	H. A. L.	13 June
Marseilles, Havre and Hamburg	Sithonia	H. A. L.	30 May
do do do	Liberia	H. A. L.	27 June
Marseilles, &c., via Saigon	Ernest Simon	M. M. Co.	4 June
Hamburg, Naples, Genoa, &c.	Bullow	N. D. L.	31 May
Havre, Bremen and Hamburg	Scandia	H. A. L.	7 June
Marseilles, &c., via Suez Canal	Kitano Maru	N. Y. K.	5 June, d'light
Trieste via Singapore, &c.	E. F. Ferdinand	S. W. & Co.	1 June
do do	Africa	S. W. & Co.	19 June
Rotterdam, Hamburg & Antwerp	Arcadia	H. A. L.	31 May
do do do	Bayern	H. A. L.	18 June
do do do	Badenia	H. A. L.	29 June

New York, San Francisco and Canada.

New York	Lothian	D. & Co.	15 June
Boston and New York via Suez	Walton Hall	S. T. & Co.	6 June, about
San Francisco via Shanghai and Japan	Chiyo Maru	T. K. K.	23 July
do do do	Persia	P. M. Co.	11 June, 1 p.m.
Seattle via Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Minnesota	N. Y. K.	5 August
San Francisco via Shanghai & Japan &c.	Tenyo Maru	T. K. K.	4 June
do do do	Shinyo Maru	T. K. K.	25 June
Mexico, Peru, Chili via Japan	H'kong Maru	T. K. K.	7 June, Noon
do do do	Kiyo Maru	T. K. K.	6 August
do do do	Buyo Maru	T. K. K.	4 October
Victoria & Tacoma via Shanghai & Japan	Canada Maru	O. K. S.	26 June
Victoria and Seattle via Shanghai and Japan.	Kamakura Maru	N. Y. K.	4 June
Victoria, and Tacoma via Japan	Chicago Maru.	O. S. K.	13 June
do do do	Tacoma Maru	O. S. K.	11 July 1 p.m.
Vancouver via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Monteagle	C. P. R. Co	1 June
do do do	Empress of India	C. P. R. Co	22 June
Vancouver, Seattle and Portland	Oceano	Bank Line	27 June

Australia.

Australian Ports via Manila	Nikko Maru	N. Y. K.	7 June
do do	Kumino Maru	N. Y. K.	5 July
do do	Coblenz	M. & Co.	15 June

Singapore, Coast Ports and Japan.

Singapore, Penang and Rangoon	Fazilka	J. M. & Co.	1 June
do do do	Itolia	J. M. & Co.	10 June
Singapore, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta	Kirin Maru	N. Y. K.	1 June
Singapore, Colombo and Bombay	Bombay Maru	N. Y. K.	10 June
Kobe and Moji	C. Apear	D. S. & Co.	1 June 3 p.m.
Kobe and Yokohama	Tango Maru	N. Y. K.	6 June
do do	Muttra	J. M. & Co.	1 June
do do	Fultala	J. M. & Co.	15 June
Kudat and Sandakan	Borneo	M. & Co.	Middle of June
Java, &c.	Tjimahi	J. C. J. L.	S. half May
do	Tjipanas	J. C. J. L.	F. half June
Tientsin	Chipshing	J. M. & Co.	3 June, Noon
Weihaiwei and Tientsin	Huichow	B. & S.	8 June, 4 p.m.
Tamsui via Swatow and Amoy	Daigi Maru	O. S. K.	2 June, Noon
Foochow via Swatow and Amoy	Kaijo Maru	O. S. K.	5 June, Noon
Haiphong	Singan	B. & S.	6 June, 9 a.m.
Japan	Tjitaroem	J. C. J. L.	F. half June
do	Tjiliwong	J. C. J. L.	S. half June
do	Tjimanoek	J. C. J. L.	F. half July
Manila	Yuensang	J. M. & Co.	1 June, 2 p.m.
Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu	Zafiro	S. T. & Co.	30 May, 4 p.m.
do do do	Rubi	S. T. & Co.	10 June, 4 p.m.
Ningpo	Ichang	B. & S.	30 May, 4 p.m.
Sandakan	Mausang	J. M. & Co.	4 June
Shanghai, Tsingtau, Kobe and Yokohama	Derfflinger	N. D. L.	30 May
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Monmouthshire.	J. M. & Co.	1 June
do do do	Segovia	H. A. L.	4 June
do do do	Persia	S. W. & Co.	30 May
do do do	Silesia	H. A. L.	20 June
do do do	Furst Bulow	H. A. L.	20 June.
Shanghai	Tjibodas	J. C. J. L.	1 half June
do	Tjikini	J. C. J. L.	S. half May
do	China	S. W. & Co.	4 June
do	Tjilatjap	J. C. J. L.	F. half July
do	Hangsang	J. M. & Co.	2 June
do	Linan	B. & S.	1 June, M'night
do	Chenan	B. & S.	30 May, 4 p.m.
do	Africa	S. W. & Co.	4 June, d'light
do	Anhui	B. & S.	8 June, midnight
do	Chighua	B. & S.	6 June, 4 p.m.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. Persia from San Francisco is due to arrive at Hongkong on the 1st prox. She will be dispatched from this port on the 11th prox., at 1 p.m., for San Francisco, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Shimizu, Yokohama and Honolulu.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. Korea from San Francisco sailed from Yokohama on 28th inst. (carrying U.S. Mails) en route to Hongkong, via Kobe, Nagasaki and Manila, and is due to arrive at Hongkong on the 1st prox. She will be dispatched from this port on the 18th prox., at 1 p.m., for San Francisco, via Keelung, Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. Manchuria which sailed from this port on the 30th ult., arrived at San Francisco on May 27.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. Siberia sailed from San Francisco on the 25th ult., for Hongkong, via Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, and is due to arrive at Hongkong on the 21st prox.

CANADIAN MAIL.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. Empress of India left Vancouver, B.C., for Hongkong (via usual ports of call) on Thursday, the 23rd inst., a.m.

The Yokohama Office of the C. P. R. is in receipt of a wireless message from the R.M.S. Empress of Japan which left here on the 11th inst., and Yokohama on the 21st inst., advising all well. This message was despatched on Saturday, the 25th inst., at midnight, when the vessel was 1,530 miles distant from Japan.

AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E. and A. s.s. Empire from Sydney, left Port Darwin on the 23rd inst., for Manila and Hongkong.

The E. & A. s.s. Aldenham will leave for Australia on the 6th prox.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The T. K. K. s.s. Kiyo Maru sailed from Valparaiso, Chili, on the 8th inst., for Hongkong and is expected on the 28th prox.

The s.s. Monmouthshire is due here from London on 3rd June.

The s.s. Indravelli passed the Suez Canal on the 10th inst., and is due here on or about 6th prox.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Poona is expected to arrive at Penang on the 4th prox., at noon.

The s.s. Glenfoy passed the Suez Canal on the 10th inst., and is due here on or about 8th prox.

The American and Manchurian Line s.s. Kansas passed the Suez Canal on the 21st inst., and is due here on or about 19th prox.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Fazilka from Moji, is due at Hongkong on the 30th inst., and leaves for Straits and Rangoon on the 1st prox.

The I.-C. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Chipshing, from Weihaiwei, is due at Hongkong on the 29th inst., and leaves for Tientsin on the 3rd prox.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Simla will leave for Shanghai on the 3rd prox.

The I. G. M. s.s. Bulow left Shanghai yesterday, the 28th inst., at 4 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 31st inst., p.m.

PASSENGERS.

Outward.

Per P. and O. steamer Simla. From London, April 20.—To Yokohama: Mr. J. Symington.

To Kobe: Miss Smith.

To Shanghai: Dr. and Mrs. J. Hewett and child, Mr. E. J. Chatburn, Miss M. Herbert and Mr. H. G. Phillips, Mrs. Chatburn, Mr. S. H. Polk, Mrs. Sheridan and children, Staff Sergt. Young.

To Hongkong: Miss Smythe.

To Bangkok: Miss A. G. Carthew.

To Singapore: Mr. V. von Someren, Col. Sergt. G. Seath, Sergt. W. Dowling, Sergt. H. H. Carter, Sergt. E. G. Port, Sergt. H. Mantle, Corpl. P. Stroud, Corpl. S. H. Kick, Mr. A. S. Elston, Miss F. A. Stonor, Mr. A. Sharp, Dr. J. A. Mellroy, Mr. and Mrs. O. Wood, Miss C. Thompson, Mrs. E. G. Port, Mrs. W. M. Sime and children, Mr. and Mrs. W. Butler and children, Mr. H. D. Hundell, Mr. T. Hornsley, Mrs. G. Seath, Mr. H. G. Phillips, Mr. C. W. Jackson.

To Penang: Mr. W. Kaufmann, Mr. D. B. Milne, Mr. C. S. Gray, Mrs. Phillips, Mr. W. C. Harley, Mrs. A. C. Bright, Mr. G. Kinmond, Mr. S. G. Wright, Mr. C. O. Hughes, Mr. C. E. Horsfield, Mr. J. B. F. Burr, Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Beal, Mr. R. P. Kittow, Mr. O. W. G. O'Connor.

Per P. and O. steamer Marmora, connecting with the steamer Arcadia at Colombo. From London May 3.

To Shanghai: Miss K. Evans.

To Bangkok: Mr. W. G. Peinigor.

To Manila: Miss I. M. Drysdale.

To Singapore: Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Rigby, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Ross and child, Miss N. O. Jones, Mrs. W. Powgood, Miss M. John, Mr. E. C. Coke, Mr. E. R. Blunestone, Mr. Hughes, Mr. W. H. Wilkins, Mr. L. Miller.

To Penang: Mr. A. N. Stevenson, Miss M. Voase. Mr. R. C. Warren, Mr. J. E. S. Codner, Mr. A. Wilson.

From Marseilles May 10.

To Bangkok: Graham.

To Sourabaya: Mr. J. C. Ferrier.

To Singapore: Mr. H. Laugher, Mrs. J. C. Ferrier, Mr. R. M. B. Bryatt, Mr. A. N. Buchanan, Mr. C. M. Cumming, Mrs. van der Tooren, Mr. H. M. Wear.

To Penang: Mr. D. F. Topham, Mr. and Mrs. F. Gordon-Forbes, Mr. R. D. Greenhill, Mr. C. E. Cumming, Capt. Davidson, Mr. A. P. Heal, Mr. J. S. Brittain.

Per P. and O. steamer Malta. From London May 18.—To Shanghai: Mrs. and Miss Youngs, Mrs. C. Hamilton and child, Mr., Mrs. and Miss H. Franklin, A. C. Cutler, Mrs. A. W. Marshall and child.

To Hongkong: Mr. B. D. Evans, Mr. A. J. Mackie, Lieut. H. R. Kunhardt, Major C. G. Prichard.

To Singapore: Mrs. I. Catto, Mr. J. Bruce, Dr. W. H. Hart, Miss M. A. McPhee, Capt. T. N. Dunman, Mr. H. W. Hirst.

To Penang: Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Thorne and children, Mr. W. Mulcock, Dr. D. T. Skeen, Lieut. D. A. Hutchison, Mr. P. B. Linch, Mr. G. Brown, Mr. A. J. Tyrrell, Mr. W. A. Waters.

Per P. and O. steamer Meloja, connecting with the steamer Devanha at Colombo. From London May 31.—To Shanghai: Mr. D. Anderson.

To Hongkong: Mr. C. Pemberton.

To Singapore: Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Rigby, Mr. J. Roff.

From Marseilles June 7.—To Penang: Mr. J. E. Nathan.

Per N.D.L. steamer Derfflinger. From Bremen April 17.—To Shanghai: Mr. J. Heskloiz.

To Singapore: Mr. F. Moebuss, Mr. R. Eschenbrennef.

From Rotterdam April 18. To Sourabaya: Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Matthyson.

To Singapore: Mr. J. A. Hoeffelmann.

From Southampton April 23.—To Shanghai. Miss A. H. Battinson.

To Hongkong:—Mr. C. E. Chase.

To Bangkok: Nai Prawate.

To Jesselton: Captain and Mrs. H. S. Bond and child.

To Penang: Mr. H. Hodson and children.

From Genoa May 2.—To Yokohama: Mr. R. Hager.

To Manila: Mr. A. and Miss E. Auer, Mr. F. Hormuth.

To Batavia: Mrs. Bernard, Dr. and Mrs. A. Sprechor and child, Mr. F. M. van den Thoern.

To Singapore:—Mr. M Eisenring, Dr. A. Grant, Miss A. Siemer, Mr. H. J. Derksen, Dr. and Mrs. J. J. B. Deuss, Mr. and Mrs. Westendorp.

To Penang:—Mr. P. A. Koopman, Mrs. S. G. C. Fox, Mrs. E. Jankowitz and child.

From Naples May 3.—To Hankow: Rev. P. H. Schille, Rev. P. D. Kaspers.

To Hongkong: Miss M. Junghauss.

From Colombo.—To Singapore: Mr. J. O. Anthonisz.

Per P. & O. steamer Moldavia, connecting with the steamer Assaye at Colombo.

From London May 17.—To Shanghai: Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Gould and child, Miss R. Norman.

To Singapore: Mr. W. B. Williams, Mr. F. W. A. Willmott, Mr. H. L. Manchester.

To Penang: Miss K. S. Cowderoy.

From Marseilles May 24.—To Sourabaya: Mr. A. E. Brunning.

To Singapore: Mr. B. Johnston.

From Brindisi May 26.—To Manila: Mr. J. F. Kent.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Borneo, Br. s.s., 4,573, W. H. S. Hall, 28th May—Keelung 26th May, Gen.—P. [& O. S. N. Co.

Profit, Nor. s.s., 9 0, Olsen, 28th May—Rin Tiny 25th May, Ballast.—A. T. & Co.

Paoting, Br. s.s., 1,073, J. R. Owen, 28th May—Shanghai and Swatow 24th May, Gen.—B. & S.

Daneric, Br. s.s., 1,210, John J. Tulloch, 28th May—Kobsichang 22nd May, Ballast.—B. L.

Persia, Aust. s.s., 4,895, L. Yvanvich, 28th May—Trieste 10th April, Gen.—S. W. & Co.

Haicheng, Br. s.s., 1,267, W. C. Passmore, 29th May—Foochow Amoy and Swatow 28th May, Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Daigi Maru, Jap. s.s., 846, Y. Somekawa, 29th May—Tamsui via Amoy and Swatow 26th May, Gen.—O. S. K.

E. F. Ferdinand, Aus. s.s., 3,843, P. A. Leva, 29th May—Japan and Shanghai 25th May, Gen.—S. W. & Co.

Johanne, Ger. s.s., 952, H. Ipland, 29th May—Haiphong and Hoihow 24th May, Gen.—J. & Co.

Laertes, Br. s.s., 1,840, Chas. E. Page, 29th May—Saigon 24th May, Rice.—Wo Fat Sing.

Chenan, Br. s.s., 1,850, L. Jones, 29th May—Canton 28th May, Gen.—B. & S.

Derfflinger, Ger. s.s., 9,060, F. Proesch, 29th May—Bremen 17th April, and Singapore 25th May, Mail and Gen.—M. & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Leksang, for Shanghai.
Paoting, for Canton.
Tungshing, for Shanghai.
Maria, for Saigon.
Haimun, for Swatow.
Ivokesun, for Shanghai.
Fukui-maru, for Wakamatsu.
Miiko Maru, for Yokohama.
Teenkai, for Nagasaki.
Haimun, for Swatow.
Soshu-maru, for Anping.
Paoting, for Canton.
Kwangsc, for Canton.
Borneo, for London.
Afghan Prince, for Yokohama.
Tungshing, for Shanghai.

DEPARTED.

May 29.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per s.s. E. Franz Ferdinand, arrived 29th May, from Japan, &c.:—

Jones, Mrs. Remy, Albert
Per s.s. Johanne, arrived 29th May, from Haiphong, &c.:—
Petala Steider

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per s.s. Borneo, sailed on 29th May, for Singapore, &c.:—

Darlington, Mr.; Ezra, E.
Mrs., Master & Hull, M.
Miss Jones, Capt. E.
Bolton, Mrs. W. W.

SHIPS PASSED THE CANAL.

2nd April—Inverclyde, Kitson Maru, Patroclus, Stentor, Tenyo Maru, Rhesus. 9th April—Ake Maru, Ambria, Bayern, Glenoski Hyson, Indramayo, Perseus, Seneca, Syria, India. 12th April—Benvenuch, Bulow, Ernest Simons, Kanagawa Meinam, York, Africa 16th April—Annam, Prometheus, Badenia, Kina, Benlarig, Denbighshire, Memnon, Nore, Pera, 23rd April—Bengloe, Penhamond, Dardanus, Pakling, Patricia, Pelops, Vladimir. 26th April—Goeben, Jessrie, Mishima Maru, Afghan Prince, Suevia. 30th April—Bloemfontein, Brasilia, Hirano Maru, Tenkai, Alesia, 3rd May—Ajax, Australian, Monmouthshire, Nubia, Simla. 7th May—Beneleuch, Derfflinger, Glenlochy, Indrasamha, Segovia, Telemachus, Arcadia. 10th April—Belgravia, Dumbar, Kaga Maru, Lutzow, Peiho, Tango Maru, Theseus, Indravelli. 11th May—Glenfoy, Sambia. 17th May—Alcinoos, Austria, Idomeneus, Polynesien, Silesia, Sumatra, Den of Glamis, Kinomo. 21st May—Benlawers, Ceylon, Myrmidon, Polynesien, Indus, Poona, Kansas, Tweeddale. 25th May—Achilles, Atlanta Maru, Kleist, Kamo Maru, Konanga, Moyune, Oceanica, Protesilaus, Rhesus. 28th May—Canton, Montrose, Pembrokeshire.

Arrivals at Home—4th April—Socotra. 9th April—Aragonia, Dumbea, Persia, Kamo Maru, P. E. Friedrich. 12th April—Patroclus, Siam, Teneer, Rhesus. 16th April—Ambria, Aki Maru, Yorck. 23rd April—Inverclyde, Spezzia, Africa. 26th April—Annam, Tourane, Arcus. 3rd May—Meinam, Memnon, Mishima Maru. 7th May—Glamorganshire, Jason, Karonga, Preussen. 10th April—Australien, Glenlochy, Prinzess Alice. 14th May—Suevia, Nelenk, Telemachus. 16th May—Nubia. 17th May—Kaga Maru, Peiho, Tranquebar. 25th May—Belgravia, Lutzow, Polynesien. 28th May—Alcinous, Austria.

	May 28th, 10 a.m.	4 p.m.
Barometer	29.88	29.83
Temperature	78	79
Humidity	88	81
Rain		

HOTEL LISTS.

King Edward Hotel.

Aoki, T.
Avenell, Mr. and Mrs.
Bannatyne, Capt.
Bannatyne, Miss M.
Bellios, Dr.
Chan Pik-shan, Mr. and Mrs.
Chisholm, J.
Cowen, Mrs.
Crosse, Lieut.
Donaldson, W. A.
Fincett, Mrs
Fleming, C.
French, Mrs and child
Haskell, D.
Hean, G. C.
Hunter, H.
Kinghorn, Mr. and Mrs
Kinlock, J. L.
Kraft, Mr. & Mrs. W. D
Kunick, G.
Lanaliam, Mr. and Mrs. C.
Lemaire, Mr. and Mrs. and child
Lennox, J.
Mann, Mr. & Mrs. J. and child
Manhoff, C. N.
Marru, Mr & Mrs. J. and child
Massey, Miss
M'Cormack, J.
Mody, Mr. & Mrs. J. H. N.
Murray, D.
Murray, M. F.
Nagel, W.
Nobbs, A. K.
Passmore, Capt. Mrs
Peterson, H.
Ramsay Mrs. R.
Reed, E. B.
Rees, L. C.
Reynell, E. H.
Shearer, Mr. and Mrs. J. S
Sibree, Dr. A.
Sin, Shing-po
Spence, H. S.
Stewart, Capt. Mrs. Allan H. and children
Taylor, H. H.
Watkins, H.
Waldron, J.
White F.
Wilson, A. W.
Wong, S. Q.

Chinese Guests.

Adams, Mr. & Mrs. & 2 children
Aston, Lieut. and Mrs.
Bentley, J.
Cahlow, H. Mr. & Mrs.
Carleton, A. E.
Chinchen, S. J.
Cockell, Mr. and Mrs. W. H.
Drent-Smith, Mrs.
Hinde, W. B.
Jones, H. I.
Jones, Dr. & Mrs. Evan
Mackenzie, A.
Murphy, Mrs.
Smith, Mrs. G.
Thomas, H. P.
Wilson, L. G.
Wood, E. M.

Hongkong Hotel.

Anderson, J. H.
Arnott, Mr. & Mrs. T. and child
Aurely, G.
Avania, B.
Baine, Miss M. H.
Bailey, W. R.
Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. W.
Bate, R.
Barbarini, A. T.
Belkes, B.
Bell, C. D. J.
Best, H. C.
Bolles, Mr. J. W.
Brigg, H. G.
Bridge, Mrs. H. G.
Bruce, E.
Chamberlain, Mrs. O. M.
Connish, Capt. C. S.
Curry, G. P.
D'Ormingen, V.
Donald, James
Drew, W. C.
Ducamp, A.
Eames, E. J. W.
Edgar, Condr. W. A.
Ehrenfels, Mr. and Mrs. H. C.
Eriksen, L.
Fenwick, H. M.
Florin, A. G.
Frank, E. B.
French, Mrs. and child
Frias, O. de
Frias, P.
Fuller, Denman
Gaubert, R.
Geiger, A. W.
George, Mr. & Mrs. F. J.
George, Miss
Gerber, Miss H.
Glenbourn, V.
Gould, Mr. & Mrs. J.
Grazama, D. M. G.
Grey, Miss R.
Grimshaw, R. J.
Grundy, R.
Guthrie, G. L.
Hale, Mr. & Mrs. B. A.
Hall, Capt. T. P.
Hampton, Rev T. P.
Harbord, W. T.
Hemmerdinger, Messrs. L. & E.
Hill, Mrs. E. J.
Hirschfield, Dr. E.
Hirschtel, M.
Hodgson, A. D.
Hodgson, Mrs. C.
Holland, James
Howard, Mr. and Mrs. E.
Innes, Capt. R.
Jachne, H. A. E.
Jackson, G. C.
James, F. T.
John, Dr.
Julian, C. O
Kabel, E. S.
Kendall, Mrs. L. B.
Knight, F. S.
Krausman, A.
Kuwada, T.
Lazzara, G. I.
Lewis, Albert
Lloyd, G. T.
Loomis, Mrs. C. C.
Loomis, Miss M.
Macdonald, Mrs. R. A.
Mackie, D. D.
Macqueen, T. M.
Marriott, Dr. O.
Marshall, W. B.
Matson, F.
Motta, K. B.
Morecki, J.
McKean, Dr. W.
Mitchels, Mrs. B.
Mongim, G. R.
Morgan, George
Morris, J.
Moores, Mrs. K. C.
Mulder, J. D. F.
Neal, W. F. G.
Niedea, Dr.
Northcote, Capt. and Mrs. F. D.
Ody, R. N
Pancracio, J.
Ray, E. H.
Raymond, E. M.
Reay, Miss F.
Rene, Consul General and Mrs. J. H. de and child
Richards, Mr. & Mrs. G. H.
Schwolke, W.
Scotson J.
Sifort, J. H.
Skrimshire, Lt. C. V. S.
Smith, E. L.
Smith, Eng. Lt. Edgar C.
Solomon, H. H.
Spalding, Dr. and Mrs. A. D. & inft.
Spittles, J.
Stanford, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. O.
Steiner, Lt. and Mrs. C. E.
Square, Miss W.
Thayer, Miss M.
Tower, Miss A.
Tower, Mrs. C.
Tower, Miss G.
Uyemura, K.
Vermeij, G.
Vollbrecht, Mr. & Mrs. E.
Waterman, E. J.
White, Mr. & Mrs. H. L. H.
Wilford, F. C.
Wonters, Mrs. J. C.
Wood, G. G.
Wright, Mr. and Mrs. J. F.
Young, J. A.
White, G. H.
Winter, J.

Astor House.

Allen, Mrs. F. M.
Becker, Chas E
Bena, G. A.
Birot, L.
Blanchard, W. R.
Boggs, L. S.
Bydges, G.
Brice A. de
Castillo, V. M. del
Chiene, I. P.
Chiene, Mr. & Mrs.
Cohen, Marcus
Constantine, H. S.
Coyle, P. M.
Davy, A.
Fisher, C. M.
Goff, V. W.
Granado
Hales, Mrs C. E.
Hoskyn, H. P.
Hull, M.
Humes, F.
Jessen, E. V.
Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. E.
Jones, J. M.
Jordan, E. F.
Knack, Miss C.
Khan, H. B
Knight, Mrs. T.
Lanchu
Lennox, S. J.
Lewis, B. J.
Lowrie, J. W.
Lugubil, V.
Mateo, Dr. & Mrs.
Maynard, H.
McClenahan, F. E.
McKean, Mrs. J. W.
Mo"ean, Miss K.
Milton, J.
Morton, Mrs.
Muller, A.
Muller, H.
Nagel
Nelson, H. E.
Flattring, N.
Prentiss, A. M.
Ribault, Capt.
Rickards, C. B.
Rigby, Jas. S.
Ritchey, A. R.
Rotterband, Mrs.
J. S.
Robinson, H. P.
Schoor, H. H.
Schuldt, H. F.
Smith, E. H.
Smith, G. R.
Stewart, T. B.
Stewart, C. M.
Suesomann, H.
Sullivan, J.
Turk, R. L.
Wright, H. M.
Wels, Miss E.
Zuro, P.

Grand Hotel.

Armstrong, C.
Aubrey, Mr.
Birchett, Rossackett, Mr. and Mrs.
Brennan, Miss May
Brennan, W.
Brewster, W.
Brohn, F.
Burns, L. N.
Cottage
Crew, Mr. & Mrs. A. B.
Crombie, Mr.
Elphin, Mr.
Fifteau, Mrs.
Graham, Mr. and Mrs.
Griffin, D. P.
Hauch, Th.
Harden, Dr.
Heart, Mr. & Mrs.
Hoffman, Chas. M.
Kayt, Dr. F.
Kearney, J.
Knott, H. A.
Leaf tay, P. F.
Livingston, Mr.
MacClarnon, Capt.
Mahall, Dr & Mrs. W. de
Miller, H. A.
Mucki, Mr.
Myall, A. T.
Peyton-Griffin
Phillips, T.
Reube, and child
Riggin, Mr. and Mrs. & child
Rodgers, Mrs.
Rogage, Dr.
Rosenberg, Mrs. H. & 2 children
Rude, S. D.
Skene, Mrs.
Solastorio, E.
Taylor, Mr.
Temple, R. S.
Walthain, C.
Wilson, J.

FAR EASTERN NAVAL SQUADRONS.

BRITISH.

Name	Class	Tons	Guns	I.H.P.	Commander	Reported at
Alacrity	Despatch-boat	1,700	4	2,000	Comdr. C. L. Lambe	Weihaiwei
Atlas	Admiralty tug	615	—	1,400	Master West	Hongkong
Bramble	Gunboat	710	—	900	Lt.-Com. B.E. Prichard	Kiukiang
Bittomart	Gunboat	710	—	900	Lt.-Com. W. H. Darwell	Hankow
Cadmus	British sloop	1,070	—	1,400	Comdr. H. Williams	Hankow
Cambrian	2nd class cruiser	4,360	10	7,000	Capt. J. E. Drummond	Weihaiwei
Cherub	Water tank and tug	390	—	340	Master W. Smith	Hongkong
Clio	British sloop	1,070	—	1,400	Comdr. H. R. Veale	Canton
Defence	———	—	—	—	Captain H. Bruce M.V.O.	Weihaiwei[oo]
Fame	Torpedo-boat destroyer	340	6	5,700	Lt.-Com. H. S. Monroe	Hongkong
Flora	2nd class cruiser	4,350	10	7,000	Capt. C. F. Corbett M.V.O.	Shanghai
Handy	Torpedo boat destroyer	295	6	4,000	Lt.-Com. F. G. Brickendon	West River
Janus	Torpedo-boat destroyer	320	6	3,900	Lt.-Com. W.G.C. Maxwell	Hongkong
Kent	Armoured cruiser	9,800	14	22,000	Capt. Allen T. Hunt C.S.I.	Kobe
Kinsha	River gunboat	616	—	1,200	Lt.-Com. H. Marryatt	Hankow
Merlin	Surveying ship	1,070	6	1,400	Capt. F. C. C. Pasco	Labuan
Minotaur[o]	Armoured cruiser	14,600	—	27,000	Capt. G. C. Cayley	Hongkong[oo]
Monmouth	Armoured cruiser	9,800	—	22,000	Capt. B. H. F. Bartlelot.	Weihaiwei[oo]
Moorhen	River gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. G. P. Leith	Hongkong
Newcastle	2nd class cruiser	4,800	—	22,000	Capt. G.P.E. Hunt D.S.O.	Weihaiwei[oo]
Nightingale	River gunboat	685	—	240	Lt.-Comdr. M. Murray	Yangtse
Otter	Torpedo-boat	385	6	6,300	Lt.-Com. E.T.B. Chambers	Weihaiwei
Pegasus	Protected cruiser	2,135	—	5,000	Comdr. F. H. Mitchell	Weihaiwei
Prometheus	3rd class cruiser	2,135	—	5,000	Comdr. N. Luxmoore	Hongkong
Ribble	T.B.D.	590	6	7,500	Lt.-Com. E.J.G. Mackinnon	Weihaiwei
Robin	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. A. Dixon	West River
Rosario	Depotship for Submarines	980	—	1,400	Lt.-Comdr. N. E. Archdale	Hongkong
Sandpiper	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Com. I. S. Hilton	West River
Snipe	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Com. Maurice Leslie	Yangtse
Taku	Torpedo boat destroyer	305	—	6,000	Gunner E. J. Trillo	Hongkong
Tamar	Receiving ship	4,650	6	—	Comdr. C. J. Eyres	Hongkong
Teal	River gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Com. Hon. Guy Stopford	Chungkiang
Thistle	Gunboat	710	—	900	Lt.-C. H.R.N. Cotrell Dormer	Hankow
Usk	T.B.D.	590	—	7,500	Lt.-Comdr. B. W. Bluett	Weihaiwei
Virago	Torpedo-boat destroyer	390	6	6,300	Lt.-Com. H. D. Adair-Hall	Weihaiwei
Waterwitch	Surveying ship	626	—	450	Lt.-Com. F. A. Reyne	Singapore
Welland	T.B.D.	590	—	5,700	Lt.-Com. C. Seymour	Shanghai
Whiting	Torpedo-boat destroyer	360	5	5,900	Lt.-Com. G. B. Hartford	Weihaiwei
Widgeon	Gunboat	195	2	800	Comdr. J. C. Borrett	Kiating
Woodcock	Gunboat	150	2	550	Lt.-Com. M. B. Blackwood	Yangtsze
Woodlark	Gunboat	150	2	550	Lt.-Comdr. C. F. Mulock	Hankow

[o] Flagship of Admiral Sir A. L. Winsloe, K.C.B., C.V.O., C.M.G. [oo] En route.

Submarines:—

No. 36,	Lieut.-Comdr. Godfrey Herbert	
No. 37,	Lieut.-Comdr. A. A. L. Fenner	
No. 38,	Lieut.-Comdr. J. R. A. Codrington	
T.B. 035,	Lieut.-Comdr. Woodward,	West River.
T.B. 036,	Lieut.-Comdr. Murphy,	West River.
T.B. 037,	Lieut.-Comdr. Nicol,	West River.
T.B. 038,	Lieut.-Comdr. Seymour,	West River.

AMERICAN.

A-2	Submarine	—	—	—	Ensign J. McC. Murray	Olongapo
A-4	"	—	—	—	Lieut. E. D. McWhorter	"
A-6	"	—	—	—	Ensign J. C. Vande Carr	"
A 7	"	—	—	—	Ensign C. M. Yates	"
Albany	Protected cruiser	3,430	10	7,500	Commander M. L. Bristol	"
Bainbridge	Torpedo-boat des.	420	7	8,000	Lieut. C. S. Graves	Yangtze River
Barry	Torpedo-boat des.	420	7	8,000	Lieut. R. Hill	"
Callao	Gunboat	243	8	250	Lieut. S. W. Cake	Canton
Chauncey	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	Lieut. F. J. Fletcher	Yangtze River
Cincinnati	Protected cruiser	3,183	11	10,000	Com. S. S. Robinson	Shanghai
Dale	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	Ensign J. L. Oswald	Olongapo
Decatur	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	Lieut. B. H. Green	Yangtze River
Elcano	Gunboat	620	4	600	Lt. Com. V. S. Houston	"
Helena	Gunboat	1,392	8	1,088	Com. R. H. Jackson	"
Mohican	Tender-submarine	1,900	6	1,100	Chief Gun. J. Mitchell	Olongapo
Monadnock	Monitor	3,990	6	3,990	Lieut. E. P. Svarz	———
Monterey	Monitor	4,084	4	5,244	Com. H. A. Wiley	Swatow
Pampanga	Gunboat	243	8	250	Lieut. C. A. Woodruff	So. P. Waters
Piscataqua	Gunboat	—	—	—	———	———
———	Sea-going tug	854	2	1,600	Lieut. S. W. Wallace	Hongkong
Pompey	Repair ship	3,085	—	—	Lieut. R. V. Lowe	Shanghai
Quiros	Gunboat	350	2	208	Lieut. J. W. Schoenfeld	Yangtze Riv.
Rainbow[o]	Cruiser	4,300	14	1,800	Lieut. Comdr. A. N. Mitchell	Cruising
Samar	Gunboat	243	8	250	Lieut. E. D. Washburn, Jr.	Ichang
Saratoga[oo]	Armored cruiser	8,115	11	17,401	Commander H. A. Bispham	Wuchang
Villalobos	Gunboat	370	8	205	Ensign H. A. McClure	Yangtze Riv
Wilmington	Gunboat	1,392	8	1,891	Commander W. A. Edgar	Hongkong
Wompatuck	Tug	462	—	659	Chief Boats. P. E. Radcliffe	—

[o] Flagship of Rear Admiral Reginald F. Nicholson, Commander China Squadron.
[oo] Flagship of Rear Admiral Joseph B. Murdock, Commander-in-Chief, U. S. Asiatic Fleet

VESSELS TEMPORARILY ON ASIATIC STATION.

Buffalo	Transport	6,000	6	3,600	Comdr. C. M. Stone	Swatow
Colorado	Armored cruiser	13,680	18	23,000	Capt. W. A. Gill	Olongapo
California	Armored cruiser	13,680	18	23,000		Olongapo
West Virginia[oo]	" "	13,680	18	23,000	Capt. A. S. Halstead	Olongapo

[oo] Flagship of Rear Admiral W. H. H. Southerland

GERMAN.

Emden	Cruiser	3600	22	13,500	Capt. v. Restorff	Tsingtau
Gneisenau	Armoured cruiser	11,600	30	26,000	Captain v. Usedar	Tsingtau
Iltis	Gunboat	900	12	1,300	Comdr. v. Gohren	Shanghai
Jaguar	Gunboat	900	12	1,300	Comdr. Vonselow	Tsingtau
Leipzig	Cruiser	3,250	24	11,000	Capt. Behncke	Tsingtau
Luchs	Gunboat	900	10	1,350	Comdr. Bendemann	Tsingtau
Nurnburg	Cruiser	3,400	22	13,200	Capt. Morsberger	Tsingtau
Otter	River gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Lieut. Jantzen	Yangtsze
Scharnhorst	Flagship	11,600	30	26,000	Capt. Rosing	Shanghai
S. 90	Torpedo-boat	400	8	6,500	Capt. Lieut. Berronberg	Tsingtau
Taku	Torpedo-boat	280	4	6,000	Oblt. z. S. Claassen	Tsingtau
Tiger	Gunboat	900	10	1,350	Comdr. Luppe	Tsingtau
Tsingtau	River gunboat	223	4	1,300	Capt. Lieut. Frhr Fircks	Canton
Vaterland	River gunboat	223	4	500	Oblt. z. S. Prinz	Shanghai

FRENCH.

Dupleix[oo]	Armoured cruiser	10,014	30	20,000	Capt. Vergos	Japan
Kleber	Armoured cruiser	9,700	12	19,000	Capt. Gouris	Tonkin
Decidee	Gunboat	645	10	1,000	Lieut. Vandier	Hankow
Argus	River gunboat	180	6	570	Lieut. Dordet	Canton
Vigilante	Gunboat	123	7	500	Lieut. de Gervillier	Canton
Peiho	Gunboat	130	—	—	Lieut. Collin	Tongku
Dondard de Lagree	Gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Dupuy Dutemps	Tchong-kin

[oo] Flagship of Rear-Admiral Collooh de Kerillis, Commander-in-Chief, the French China Station.

Lynx	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut. Bolaix	Saigon
Protee	Submarine	—	—	—	———	Saigon
Styx[o]	Armoured gunboat	1,798	10	1,700	Lieut. Guillaume-Louis	Saigon
Frondo	Destroyer	350	7	303	Lieut. Aurillac	Saigon
d'Iberville	Destroyer	—	—	—	Capt. de Frigate Remieux	Saigon
Pistolet	Destroyer	130	7	300	Comdr. de Marquessac	Saigon
Mousquet	Destroyer	307	6	300	———	Saigon
Manche	Surveying-ship	1,625	10	9,000	Com. Voisin	Saigon

[o] Flagship of Commodore Boucicaut, Commanding the local defence Indo-China.
Eleven torpedo-boats at Saigon and Tonkin

PORTUGUESE.

Macao	Gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Martins	Macao
Patria	Gunboat	700	—	—	Captain J. Milheiro	Macao

MARKET PRICES.

Hongkong, May 23, 1912.

BUTCHER MEAT. 肉食

	Cts.	
Beef Sirloin & Prime Cut,—Moi Lung Pa ...	1b. 20	尾龍扒
„ Corned,—Ham Ngau Yuk	„ 20	鹹牛肉
„ Roast,—Shiu „	„ 20	燒牛肉
„ Breast,—Ngau Lam „	„ 16	牛腩
„ Soup,—Tong Yuk „	„ 15	
„ Steak,—Ngau Yuk Pa	„ 20	牛肉趾
„ do. —Sirloin Cotom—Ngau Lau	„ 30	牛柳
„ Sausages,—Ngau Chaung	„ 24	牛腸
Bullock's Brains— „ Know.....	per set 9	牛腦
„ Tongue fresh,—Ngau Li	each 45	牛脷
„ „ corned,—Ham Ngan Li ...	„ 60	鹹牛利
„ Head,—Ngau Tau	„ 6	頭
„ Heart,—Ngau Sum	„ 12	牛
„ Hump, Salt,—Ngau Kin	„ 18	牛肩
„ Feet,—Ngau Kaak	„ 9	牛脚
„ Kidneys,—Ngau Yiu	„ 9	牛腰
„ Tail,—Ngau Mei...	„ 18	牛尾
„ Liver,—Ngau Kon	1b. 12	牛肝
„ Tripe (undressed),—Ngau To	„ 6	牛肚
Calve Head & Feet,—Ngau-chai-tau-kark ...	set $1	牛仔頭脚
Mutton Chop,—Yeung Pei Kwat	1b. 22	羊連骨
„ Leg,—Yeung Pei	„ 22	比
„ Shoulder,—Yeung Shau	„ 20	手
Pigs Chitlings,—Chu Chong	„ 22	猪
„ Brains,—Chu Know	per set 24	猪腦
„ Feet,—Chu Kark	1b. 12	猪脚
„ Fry,—Chu Chak	„ 25	猪雜
„ Head,—Chu Tau...	„ 15	猪頭
„ Heart,—Chu Sum...	each 13	猪心
„ Kidneys,—Chu Yiu	„ 9	猪腰
„ Liver,—Chu Con	1b 30	猪肝
Pork, Chop,—Chu Pai Kwat	„ 20	猪排骨
„ Corned,—Ham Chu Yuk	„ —	鹹猪肉
„ Leg,—Chu Pei	„ 24	
„ Fat or Lard,—Chu Yau	„ 15	猪
Sheep Head and Feet,—Yeung Tau Kark ...	set 50	頭
„ Heart,—Yeung Sum	each 6	羊心
„ Kidneys,—Yeung Yiu	„ 9	腰
„ Liver,—Young Con	1 24	肝
Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chu Chai	„ 22	仔
Suet, Beef—Sang Ngau Yau	„ 20	生牛油
„ Mutton,—Sang Young Yau	„ 22	生羊油
Veal,—Ngau Chai Yuk	„ 20	仔牛肉
„ Sausages,—Ngau Chai Chaung	„ 20	牛仔腸

POULTRY. 生口

	Cts.	
Chicken,— Kai Chai	1b 32	鷄仔
Capons, Large, Small,—Sin Kai	„ 32	銃鷄
Ducks,—Ap	„ 30	鴨
Doves,—Pan Kau	each —	班鳩
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan	per doz 24	鷄蛋
Fowls, Canton,—Kai	1b 35	鷄
„ Hainan,—Hoi Nam Kai	„ 30	海南鷄
Geese,—Ngoi	„ 24	鵝
Geese, Wild S'hai,—Shang-ho Yea Ngoi ...	pair —	上海野鴈
Musk Deer,—Wong Kong	each —	黃麞
Hare, Shanghai,—Tu Chai	„ —	兎仔
Partridge,—Che Khoo	„ —	鷓鴣
Pheasant,—Shan Kai	pair $ 1 —	山鷄
Pigeons, Canton,—Pak Kup	each 30	白
„ Hoihow,—Hoi How Pak Kup, ...	„ 25	琼口白鴿
Quail,—Um Chun	„ —	鶴鶉
Rice Birds,—Wo Fa Cheul	dozen —	禾花雀
Snipe,—Sa-Choy	each —	沙雀
Turkeys, Cock—Phor Kai Kung	1b. 65	火公
„ Hen, „ Na	„ 40	火
Wild Ducks, S'hai—Shang hoi Sui Ap ...	„ —	上海水鴨
Teal,—Sui Ap Chai, ...	„ —	水鴨仔
Wild Ducks Canton—Sang-Shing Sui Ap ...	„ —	省水鴨

FISH. 海鮮

	Cts.	
Barbel,—Ka Yu	1b 8	加魚
Bream,—Bin Yu	„ 17	鯿魚
Canton Fresh Water Fish,—Hoi Sin Yu	„ 17	海鮮魚
Carp,—Li Yu...	„ 20	鯉魚
Catfish,—Chik Yu	„ 19	赤魚
Codfish,—Mun Yu...	„ 18	鱈魚
Crabs,—Hai	„ 18	蟹
Cuttle Fish,—Muk Yu	„ 20	墨斗魚
Dab,—Sa Mang Yu	„ 15	沙盲魚
Dace,—Wong Mei Lun...	„ 20	鯛尾黃
Dog Fish—Tit Tu Sa	„ 8	跌倒沙
Eels, Conger,—Hoi Manu	„ 10	海鰻
„ Fresh water,—Tam Sin Yu	„ 15	淡大魚
Eels, Yellow,—Wong Sin	„ 28	黃蟮
Frogs,—Tien Kai	„ 30	
Garoupa,—Sek Pan...	„ 28	石斑魚
Gudgeon,—Pak Kup Yu	„ 12	白鮫立
Herrings,—Tso Pak...	„ 18	甲魚海
Halibut,—Cheung Kwan Kup	„ 24	脚花
Labrus,—Wong Fa Yu...	„ 16	
Loach,—Wu Yu	„ 28	烏魚龍
Lobsters,—Lung Ha	„ 20	蝦魚白
Mackerel,—Chi Yu...	„ 24	魚魚魚
Monk Fish,—Mong Yu	„ 28	芒青
Mullet,—Chai Yu	„ 24	鯔柄鯔
Oysters,—Sang Hoo	„ 20	生蚝
Parrotfish,—Kai Kung Yu	„ 15	鸚鵡魚
Perch,—Tau Loo	„ 15	如雞
Pike,—Fa Paw Poong	„ 8	花皮
Plaice,—Pan Yu	„ 18	班魚
Pomfret, Black,—Hak Chong	„ 22	黑
Pomfret, White,—Pak Chong	„ 24	白
Prawns,—Ming Ha	„ 48	明蝦
Ray—Pai Pa Sa	„ 9	猫婆沙
Rock Fish,—Sek Ka Kung	„ 15	石
Roach—Chun Yu.....	„ 10	
Salmon,—Ma Yau Yu	1b 24	
Shark,—Sa Yu	„ 9	
Skate,—Po Yu	„ 10	魚
Shrimps,—Ha	„ 28	鰕
Snapper,—Lap Yu	„ 24	立魚
Soles,—Tat Sa Yu	„ 20	沙魚
Tench,—Wan Yu	„ 18	鯇魚
Turbot,—Cho How Yu	„ 22	左口魚
Turtles, small, fresh water,—Kork Yu	„ 50	脚魚
White Bait,—Ngau Yu Chai	„ —	銀魚仔

FRUITS 菓子

	Cts.	
Almonds,—Hung Yau	1b. 25	杏仁
Apples (California)—Kum San Ping Kho ...	„ 25	金生平菓
„ (Chefoo)—Tin Chun Ping Kho ...	„ 15	天津平菓
„ Small,—Hoi Tong	„ —	海棠
„ Custard,—Fan Lai Chi	each —	番枝
Bananas, fragrant, Canton,—San Shing Heung Chiu	1b. 4	城香蕉
„ (brides), Macao,—San Heung Chiu ...	„ 4	山香蕉
Chestnuts, Chinese,—Foong Lut	„ 15	風栗
Carambola,—Yeung Tue...	„ —	楊桃
Cocoanuts,—Yeh Tse	each —	椰子
Lemons, China,—Ning Moong	„ 8	檸檬
„ America,—Kum San Ning Moon	„ 6	金山檸檬
Lichees Dried,—Lai Chi, small Stone...	b 25	荔枝乾
„ Fresh, ...	„ 10	枝
Limes, (Saigon)—Sai Kung Ning Moong ... each	„ 13	西貢
Mango, Manila,—Lui Sung Mong	„ 10	呂宋芒
Mangosteens,—San Chuk Tse	doz 25	山竹子
Oranges, (Canton)—San-shing Tim Ching ...	1b 15	省城甜橙
„ Sweet	„ 20	橙
Pears, (American),—Kum San Shoot Lay	„ —	金山雪梨
„ (Canton), Cooking,—Sa Lay	„ 10	沙梨
Peanuts,—Fa Sang	„ 10	
Persimmons Large,—Hung Chie	„ —	紅
Pine-apples, 1st quality,—Poon Ti Paw Law each	„ 10	本地波蘿
„ 2nd „ —Chung-tang Paw Law	„ 8	中等波蘿
Plantain,—Tai Cheu	1b 3	大蕉
Plums,—Swatow, Hung Lai	„ 6	紅梨
Pumelo, Siam,—Chim Lo Yau	each 25	暹羅柚
„ Shanghai,—Lo Kwat	„ —	上海勞甘
Walnuts,—Hop Tuo	1b 14	合桃
„ Green,—Sang Hop Tuo	„ —	生合桃
Water Melon,—(Am.) Kum San Sai Kwa ...	each —	金山西瓜
„ (China) Sai Kwa...	„ —	西瓜
Grapes,—Sang Po Tai Tse	1b —	生葡萄子

VEGETABLES, &c. 菜蔬

Artichokes, Shanghai,—Sheung-hoi Ah Chi Cheuk	1b 8	丁治竹
Beans, (French), Macao,—Oh Mooa Pin Tau ...	„ 10	澳門通豆
„ (French) Shanghai,—Sheung Hai Pin Tau	„ —	上海豆邊
„ Sprout,—Ah Cho	„ 2	芽菜
„ Long,—Tau Ko	„ —	豆角
Beet Root,—Hung Choi Tau	each 4	紅菜頭
Brinjals, Green,—Ching Yuan	„ 6	青元茄
„ Red,—Hung Ker	„ 5	紅茄
Cabbage, Chinese, com,—Kai Choy	„ 10	芥菜
Cabbage Red,—Hung Yea Choy	„ 12	紅柳菜
Cabbage, Shanghai,—Yeh Choi	„ 8	菜
Cane Shoots, bunch,—Kau Shun	1b. 10	膠筍
Cauliflower, Large size,—Tai Yeh Cho Fa ...	each —	大柳菜花
„ Medium size,—Cheung Yeh Cho Fa ...	„ —	中柳菜花
„ Small size,—Sai Yen Choi Fa	„ —	細柳菜花
Carrots,—Kam Shum	1b. 6	金笋
Celery, Chinese,—Tong Kan Choi	„ 8	唐芹菜
„ English,—Yeung Kan Choi	„ 5	洋芹菜
Chillies Dried,—Gon Lat Chiu	„ 20	乾辣椒
„ Red,—Hung Far Chiu	„ 15	紅花
„ Green,—Ching Lat Chiu	„ 10	青
Curry Stuff, English,—Kar Lee Chu Liu	„ 10	茄厘財
Cucumbers,—Ching Kwa	„ 2	青瓜
Bitter Squash,—Fu Kwa	„ 10	苦瓜
Garlic,—Que Tau	„ 8	蒜頭薑
Ginger, young,—San Tse Keung	„ 6	新子
„ old.—Lo Keung	„ 8	老
Horse Radish, Shanghai,—Lik Kau	„ 12	力根
Indian Corn,—Suk Mai	each 5	粟米
Lettuce,—Yeung Sang Choi	„ 1	洋生菜
Water Chesnuts,—Ma Tai	1b. 6	馬蹄
„ Mandarin,—Kwai Lum Ma Tai	„ 8	桂林馬蹄
Mushrooms, Fresh,—Sang Cho Koo	„ —	生草菇
Musk Melon, Amer.—Kam-san Hong Kwa ...	each —	金山
Okroes...	b 15	———
Onions Bombay,—Yeung Chong Tau	„ 10	洋葱頭
„ Green,—Sang Chong	„ 6	生葱頭
„ Shanghai,—Shang-hoi Chong Tau	„ 8	上海葱頭
Papaw, 1st qual.,—Tai Man Sau Kua...	each 12	大萬壽瓜
„ 2nd Chung „	„ 10	中萬壽
Parsley,—Kun Cho	„ 8	芹菜
Green Peas,—Ching Tau	1b. —	青豆
Potatoe, Sweet,—Fan Shu	„ 3	蕃薯仔
„ Shanghai,—Shang-hoi Shu Tsa	„ —	上海薯仔
„ Japan,—Yut Poon Shu Tsa	„ —	日
„ American,—Fa Ki Shu Tsa	„ 8	放花
„ Foochow,—Foo-chow Shu Tsai	„ 3	州薯
Pumpkin,—Tong Kwa	„ 3	冬瓜仔
Radish,—Hung Lo Pak Tsai	„ 5	紅蘿白
Rhubab (Fresh),—Tai Wong	„ —	大黃
Sage,—Tso So	„ —	紫蘇
Shallots,—Gon Chung Tau	„ 8	葱
Spinach,—Yin Choi	„ 4	
Tomatoes,—Fan Ker	„ 8	
Taros,—Wu Tau	„ 6	
Turnips, Punti, (Long),—Lo Pak	„ 4	蘿蔔
„ English,—Yeung Lo Pak	„ 2	
Vegetable Marrow,—Chit Kwa	„ 3	吻
„ (American),—Kum-san Chit Kwa ...	„ —	呵哥
Water Cress,—Sai Yeung Cho	„ 10	菜
„ Lily root,—Lin Ngau	„ —	藕
Yams,—Ta Shu	„ 5	

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W. BOWEN-ROWLANDS,
Secretary, Sanitary Board.

COMMERCIAL.

Rubber Share Report.

Messrs. Zorn and Leigh-Hunt's mid-weekly report on the rubber share market and list of quotations, dated April 17, states:—

At the fortnightly auction of Plantation Rubber which commenced yesterday some 740 tons came up for disposal. Prices showed a decline of about 2d. per lb., but as this was in accordance with recent anticipations, it did not have any particular effect upon share quotations. The market continues to be without speculative attention, but there is still a considerable amount of quiet investment buying, especially of the younger producers, the demand being stimulated by the satisfactory nature of the annual reports now appearing. Such "florinets" as Singapore United and Bukit Sembawang have been freely absorbed during the last few days, while a noticeable feature of the market is the reawakening of interest in Java concerns, which for a long time had been almost completely neglected. There has been quite a lot of enquiry for shares of this description, and investors appear to be waking up to the fact that during the last twelve months many shares in Java companies have been allowed to sag away to prices substantially below their intrinsic merits.

Allagars are 3/4.1-2 bid, and Anglo-Malays offer at 17/4.1-2. Anglo-Javas have been purchased and are now 7/- bid. Anglo-Sumatras do not offer under 70/6. Bandars have been changing hands at 15/- premium; Bandjarsario 1st series are wanted at 1.1-8, and Batu Tigas are offering at 31.15-16. Brooklands are buyers at 1/8 premium, while Bukit Kajangs are firm at 3.1-16. Bukit Rajalis after being bid for at 13.1-4, have reacted to 12.3-4 ex dividend. Bukit Sembawangs are small sellers at 1/10.1-2. Damansaras are now offering at 5.7-16. There are buyers of Dangan at 1/4.1-2, and Dennistown at 30/7.1-2. Galangs, after touching 6 10 1-2, have ceased to 6/7.1-2, but Glenshiels are wanted at 5/11-16. Inch Kenneth offer at 8. Java Amalgamated have been enquired for, and are still wanted at 1.1-4. Jugra Lands offer around 50/-, but Jugra Estates are wanted at 16/3. Kapars are unchanged at 7.15-16. Good enquiry continues for Klanang Produce, and 23/- is bid. Kualas have been taken by Paris whenever offering between 7.1-4 and 7.3-8. Lanadrons show a rise of 3-16 at 3.3-4, and Lankat Rubber at 2.1-2 have improved 1-16.

U. S. A. Trade with the Philippines

The "Cable-news American" says the trade of the United States with the Philippine Islands has more than doubled since the enactment in 1909 of the law providing for the free interchange of merchandise between those islands and the United States. The total trade with the Philippine Islands for the 8 months ending with February, 1912, amounted to over 30 million dollars, against less than 14 million in the corresponding months of 1909, the last year prior to the enactment of the law admitting domestic merchandise from the United States into the Philippines free of duty, and domestic products, except rice, of the Philippines into the United States free of duty. The figures thus far received by the Bureau of Statistics, Department of Commerce and Labour, suggest that the total trade between the United States and the Philippine Islands during the fiscal year which ends with the month of June will exceed 40 million dollars, against 20.1-2 million in the year ending June 30, 1909, the last fiscal year prior to the enactment of the law providing for free interchange of domestic products of the United States and the Philippines islands.

Shanghai Stock Exchange.

Shanghai, May 23, 1912.

Municipals 6 per cent. Debs. (1911) 101 Cash.

Waterworks 6 per cent. Debs. 100 Cash.

Langkats Tls. 66.1-2 Cash.
Langkats Tls. 66 Cash.
S. & H. Wharves Tls. 90 Cash.
L. K. Mows Tls. 63.1-2 Cash.
Internationals Tls. 45 Cash.
Dominions Tls. 27 Cash.
Butes Tls. 2.60 Cash.
Cathay Trust Tls. 6.40 Cash.
Shanghai Lands Tls. 87 Cash.

New Cotton Spinning Factory for Japan.

A cotton-spinning factory, with a capital of Yen 1,500,000, is to be established at Oita, North-eastern Kyushu, and share subscription lists will be issued shortly, says the "Nagasaki Press." Mr. Wada, of the Fuji Spinning Company, and Mr. Yasukawa, a well-known colliery owner, are interested in the project. The factory will operate 30,000 spindles.

PREACHERS AT RINGSIDE.

Occupy Front Seats at Fight.

Kenosha, Wis—An unusual feature of the McGoorty-Kelly fight for the middleweight championship was the appearance of two ministers, the Rev. L. S. Farrell of the First Congregation Church, and the Rev. Peter Stair of the Methodist Church, in seats at the ringside, as deputy sheriffs.

They were appointed to see that the law was not violated. The ministers recently began a crusade against the Kenosha fights. They appealed to the Governor to stop them, alleging they were not boxing matches, but fights. The Governor replied that he could not interfere, that it was Sheriff Stahl's duty to see that the law was obeyed.

Sheriff Stahl, after an argument with the ministers, made them his deputies, gave them tin stars and front seats.

The preachers said they were there simply to decide if any further action was necessary and they did not interfere with the bouts.

WORLD'S TOUR ENDED.

Motor Arrives in Detroit.

It should be of interest to many people in Shanghai who saw the the world-touring party, and their Humpmobile in this city about one year ago, to know that the party and car have arrived safely in Detroit, Michigan, U.S.A., their starting point, after their interesting tour covering over forty-one thousand miles. According to the "China Press," the party and their car crossed the American Continent by way of the Santa Fe trail, which took them over many high mountain ranges, as well as desert countries. Afterward they visited the Hawaiian Islands, Australia, New Zealand, The Philippines, China, Japan, Sumatra, Straits Settlements, Java, Siam, Burmah, India, Ceylon, South Africa, Europe, British Isles, and from thence to America, arriving in New York just in time for the automobile shows, where the car caused a great deal of comment. In a test similar to the one which this sturdy Humpmobile has been put to, it necessitates the undergoing of many hardships, and in the course of its travels, it has crossed many quickly built bridges and pontoons, forded innumerable streams, crossed mountain ridges, and traversed roads on which an automobile had never been seen before. The party have arrived at their starting point in the best of health, and such a severe test, never before been accomplished, reflects great credit on the manufacturers and their product. The car was still running swiftly, and made a quick trip from New York to Detroit, where a very enthusiastic reception was tendered the world tourers. A continual rousing cheer arose from the masses which crowded either side of Sate street, Detroit, when the victorious group and their sturdy car arrived.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company (since its registration) will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 1st day of June, 1912, at 12.15 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1911.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 28th May, to SATURDAY, the 1st June, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 23rd May, 1912. [891

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"CATHERINE APCAR,"

having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that the goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at once, at consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after 2 P.M. of the 29th May, will be landed at consignees' risk and expense.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE delivery of their goods from alongside, such cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD.
Agents.

Hongkong, 27th May, 1912. [399

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

R. M. S. "MONTEAGLE."

THE above mentioned steamer having arrived from Vancouver, Victoria and Japan Ports, consignees of cargo are hereby notified that their goods, with the exception of Parcels, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon Godowns, where delivery can be obtained.

Goods on hand after the 1st June will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns and this office notified, when arrangements will be made for examination.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

D. W. CRADDOCK,
General Traffic Agent.

Hongkong, 27th May, 1912. [400

"GEN" LINE OF STEAMERS

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENLAWERS,"

FROM LEITH, MIDDLESBRO, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 30th inst., will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 6th prox., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 30th inst., at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd May 1912 [294

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

S.S. "TENYO MARU."

From SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS and MANILA.

The above-named steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from alongside.

Cargo remaining undelivered on MONDAY, 27th inst., at 5 P.M., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense and delivery must then be taken from Company's Godown.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

No Claims will be recognized after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered on SATURDAY, the 1st June, afternoon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All chafed and otherwise damaged Cargo to be left on board or godown and examination of same to be arranged.

All claims must be filed on or before the 8th June, otherwise they will not be recognized.

S. MORITOMO,
Agent.

Hongkong, 25th May, 1912. [18

Banks

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

Depository of the U.S. Government in the Philippine Islands and the Republic of Panama.
Head Office:—60, Wall Street, New York.
London Office:—26, Bishopsgate, E.C.

BRANCHES:—

Bombay	Kobe
Calcutta	Manila
Canton	Mexico
Cebu	Panama
Colon	Peking
Empire	San Francisco
Hongkong	Shanghai
Hankow	Yokohama

Capital and Reserve $6,800,000
about £1,400,000

EVERY DESCRIPTION OF BANKING BUSINESS transacted.
CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened on the usual terms.
DEPOSITS RECEIVED, fixed for the year at 4% per annum or for shorter periods, at rates which may be ascertained on application.
BILLS NEGOTIATED and COLLECTED.
MAIL and TELEGRAPHIC REMITTANCES made.
LETTERS OF CREDIT and DRAFTS granted on all the principal cities in the World.
THE BANK'S CIRCULAR LETTERS OF CREDIT are available all over the World.
COMMERCIAL LETTERS OF CREDIT issued.
PURCHASE and Sale of Stocks and Shares effected.
The Officers of the Bank are bound not to disclose the transactions of any of its customers.

GEORGE HOGG,
Manager.

9, Queen's Road, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1912. [19

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

Established 1880.
AUTHORISED CAPITAL Yen 18,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL ... " 30,000,000
RESERVE FUND ... " 17,500,000

Head Office.—YOKOHAMA.

Branches and Agencies at	
Antung-Hsien	Nagasaki
Bombay	Newchwang
Calcutta	New York
Changchun	Osaka
Dairen	Peking
Fengtien	Ryojun Port (Arthur)
Hankow	San Francisco
Honolulu	Shanghai
Kobe	Tiehling
Liao-Yang	Tientsin
London	Tokyo
Lyons	

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNT.
Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

TAKEO TAKAMICHI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1912. 18

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"PRINZ SIGISMUND,"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before noon to-day requesting it to be landed here.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 3rd of June, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 3rd of June, at 9.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 10th of June, 1912, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
MELCHERS & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 27th May, 1912 [7

NOTICE.

THE DRAGON CYCLE DEPOT has found it necessary to remove from No. 61, Des Voeux Road Central to more commodious quarters, and will for the future be located at No. 24, Des Voeux Road Central, next to P. & O. Office.

We solicit your kind patronage as you have extended to us in the past, and assuring you of the very best of attention.

We beg to remain,
Yours Faithfully,
DRAGON CYCLE DEPT.,
Phone No. 482.

Hongkong 22nd May, 1912. [388

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LD.

(CAPITAL PAID UP...$1,250,000.)

Loans on Mortgage of House Property &c.
Goods received on Storage.
Advances made on Merchandise.
Loans made on the Provident System. (Rates and Particulars on application).

THE OFFICE OF
TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF WILLS, ATTORNEY, &c.,
Undertaken and Executed.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 13th March, 1908. [33

Banks

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

PAID-UP CAPITAL ..... $15,000,000.
RESERVE FUNDS:
Sterling £1,500,000 at 2/- 15,000,000
Silver 16,750,000
$31,750,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS $15,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS
E. Shellim, Esq.—Chairman
F. H. Armstrong, Esq.—Deputy Chairman
Andrew Forbes, Esq. — G. H. Medhurst, Esq.
G. Fricland, Esq. — W. L. Pattenden
C. S. Gubbay, Esq. — Hon. Mr. C. H. Ross
G. R. Laureus, Esq. — H. A. Siebs, Esq
F. Lieb, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:
Hongkong—N. J. STABB.
ACTING MANAGER,
SHANGHAI—A. G. STEPHEN.
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON COUNTY AND WESTMINSTER BANK LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Accounts at the rate of 2 per Cent. per Annum on the daily balance.
ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 1 months, 2½ per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3½ per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.

N. J. STABB, Chief Manager.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at $3½ PER CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of $100 or more to the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum,

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
N. J. STABB, Chief Manager.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.
PAID-UP CAPITAL £1,200,000
RESERVE FUND £1,650,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS £1,200,000

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.
CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

WM. DICKSON,
Manager.

Hongkong, 1 th April, 1912. [22

DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

CAPITAL FULLY
PAID-UP..... Tls. Taels 7,500,000
HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS—BERLIN.

BRANCHES:

Berlin	Calcutta	Canton
Hamburg	Hankow	Kobe
Peking	Singapore	Tientsin
Tsinanfu	Tsingtau	Yokohama

LONDON BANKERS:
Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD & SONS.
THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED.
DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENCY.
DIRECTION DER DISCONTO GESELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account. DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application.
Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

R. TIMMERSCHEIDT.
Manager.

Hongkong, 9th Oct., 1911. [2

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital..... £1,600,000
Subscribed " 1,125,000
Paid Up " 562,000
Reserve Fund..... 365,000

HEAD OFFICE:
40, Threadneedle Street, London, E.C.

BRANCHES:

Bombay.	Galle
Calcutta.	Singapore.
Howrah.	Penang.
Madras.	Kota Bahru, Kelantan.
Karachi.	Kuala Lumpur, F.M.S.
Rangoon.	Hongkong.
Colombo.	Shanghai.
Kandy.	

AGENTS IN JAPAN:
Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.

BANKERS:
Bank of England.
London Joint Stock Bank, Ltd.

EVERY description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Stocks and Shares bought and sold on account of Constituents. Letters of Credit granted on Agents and Correspondents all over the world.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 2 per cent per annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained on application.

F. C. MACDONALD.
Manager.

Exchange

Selling,		Buying.	
C/T.	2/-	4 m/s. L/C	2/-½
Demand	2/- 1/16	4 m/s. D/P.	2/-⅝
10 d/s	2/-⅛	6 m/s. L/C	2/-⅝
60 d/s.	2/-3/16	30 d/s. Sydney & Melbourne	2/-⅝
4 m/s	2/-¼	30 d/s. San F'co & New York	49½
T/T. Shanghai	72½	4 m/s. Marks	210
T/T. Singapore	85½	4 m/s. France	2.57½
T/T. Japan	98½	4 m/s. do	2.59½
T/T. India	149½	Bar Silver, ready	28⅛
Demand India	150	forward	28¼
Demand, Manila	98½	Bank of England rate	3%
T/T. San Francisco and New York	48⅛	Investment	$10
T.T. Java	120⅝		
T/T. Marks	205		
T/T. France	2.52½		

Subsidiary Coins.

Discount per $100.

Chinese	20 cts. pieces	$7 15/16
Chinese	10 "	$8 7/16
Hongkong	20 "	$7⅞
Hongkong	10 "	$8 5/16

Opium Quotation.

May. 20.

Malwa, New	$3,100	per pic.
Malwa, Old	3,180	"
Malwa, V. Old	3,250	"
Persian, fine qual'ty	1,700	"
Patna, New	3,450	per chs
Patna, Old	3,330	"
Benares, New	3,350	"
Benares, Old	3,200	"

SHARE REPORT

F.—SELLERS S.—SALE H.—BUYERS

Stocks & Paid up Value.		Closing Quotations		Last Dividend and Date.
BANKS.				
Hongkong & S'hai	$125	$185		£1.5.0 at ex 1/10½ equal to $24.27 for ½ year ending 31·12·11
		£85/-		£2 equal $22.32 for ½ year ending 30 June 1911
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Cantons	$50	$223		$16 for 1910
North China	£5	T140	s.	Interim of 10/- for 1911
Unions	$100	$608	b.	Final of $20 making $50 for 1910 and Interim of $30 for 1911
Yangtzes	£50	$1512½		$12 for 1 09 and Int. of $3 on account of 1910
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fires	$20	$192	b.	$7 & b's of $2 for 1910
Hongkong Fires	$50	$350	b.	$27 for 1910
SHIPPING.				
China & Manilas	$25	$1-½	b.	$1 for 1906
Douglas Steamships	$50	$27	b.	5 p.c. for year end'g 30·6·11
Steamboats	$10	$26¾	s	Dividend of $1 for half year ending 31·12·11
Indo-Chinas (Preferred)	£5	$66	b.	3% final making 6% for 1908 6% div. for 1909 on preferred shares
(Deferred)		111/-		1/- per share Coupon No 15 2/6 per share Coupon No. 16 for 1910.
"Shell" Transports	£1	£11	b.	Div. 7 p. c. for year ending 30.4.11
"Star Ferry"	$10	$32	b. ex. div.	Bon. 5 p. c.
	$5	$12½	b ex. div.	
REFINERIES.				
China Sugars	$100	$100	s.	$10 for 1910
Luzon Sugars	$100	$33	s.	$3 for 1897
MINING.				
Chinese Engineerings	£1	36/9	s.	Interim of 1/- on account for year ending 28.2.11 (Coupon No.16)
		76/-	s.	
Raubs	£1	$2½	b.	1s. 2d. per share on 150,000
DOCKS, WHARVES, & GODOWNS.				
Kowloon Wharfs	$50	$59	sa.	$3 for year ending 31.12.11
H. K. & W'poa Docks	$50	$49		$1 final dividend for year 1912
Shanghai Docks	T. 100	T.54		Tls. 2½ for 1910
Hongkew Wharfs	T. 100	T 90		Final of Tls. 4 for 1910
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.				
Anglo French Lands	T.100	T.94	b.	Tls. 6 29·2·10
Hongkong Hotels	$50	$110		$3 on old shares, $1.50 on new shares for half year 31·12·11
		$71	b	
Hongkong Lands	$100	$106		Interim div. of $3½ for 1911
Humphreys Estates	$10	$8	s.	40 cents for 1911
Kowloon Lands	$30	$34	b.	$2.75 for 1911
Shanghai Lands	T. 30	T.87		5% for half year to 30·6·11.
West Points	$50	$53½	b.	Interim div. of $2 for 1911 and final of $2 making $4.00 for 1911
Manila M'pole Hotel	P..0	P.8		16 per cent. for 1910
COTTON MILLS.				
Ewos	T. 50	T 89		T4 for year ended 31·10·10
Hongkong Cottons	$10	$5		T7 for year ended 20·12·10
MISCELLANEOUS.				
China-Borneo	$12	$10	s. ex div.	50 cents 31.7·08
Light and Powers	$10	$12.15		$1 for 1910
Do. (Spec. shares)	$1			
China Providents	$10	$8½	s.	70 cents for 1911
Daly Farms	$6	$22		$1.25 for year end'g 31·7·11
Green Islands	$10	$44½	b.	40 cents for 1911
Hongkong Electrics	$10	$23½	sa.	$1 40 per share
Hongkong Ices	$25	$212½		Final div. of $10 for year ending 31·12·11
Hongkong Ropes	$10	$9½		$1 interim account 1911
Langkats	g. 10	T.70	sa.	Special bonus T.2 15·1·11 Interim div. T.1½ 15·3·11 Interim div. T.1½ 15·6·11 Interim div. T.1½ 15·9·11
Morning Post	$25	$22		None
Peak Tramway	$10	$11½	s.	80 cents on fully paid shares and 8 cents on $1 paid shares for year ending 30·4·12
Do. (new)	$1	$1.10		None.
Philippines	$10	$5	b.	$1.50 for 1910
G. Price & Co., Ld.	$10	$12b.		
Societe des Pulpes et Papieteries du Tonkin	Preferred $50 paid up $50	$53		First year
	Benefit	$250		
Baghdad-Sumatras	T. 20	T110		No dividend this year
Steam Laundry	$5	$8½	b.	50 cts. for year end'g 30 6 .
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ld.	$10	$10		15 per cent. per ordinary shares for year ended 31·5·1911
United Asbestos Founders Shares	$10	$300		
Union Waterboat	$10	$7½	b.	75 cents per share for year ending 31·12·1911
Weismann, Ltd.	$10	$15	b.	10 per cent. for year ending 31·7·10
Watson	$10	5	s.	80 cents for 1910
William Powell		$6½	b.	

(Corrected at 3 p.m. May 29, 1912 by WRIGHT AND HORNBY, Stock and Share Brokers, Queen's Building, Tel. address, Rectitude.
N.B.—The Telegraph does not hold itself responsible for any of the above statements.)

RUSSIA AND MONGOLIA.

"The Open Door."

Under the heading "Mongolia's King a Russian puppet" Mr. E. H. Smith writes as follows, in the "Cable-news American:" "Mongolia, that wonderful and unknown country which some day will vie with Siberia as the granary of the world, is no longer a possession of China. Nominally it is an independent country, and such Mongolians as there are who really think for themselves may so believe. Actually, it is a province of the great Russian empire.

For many, many years Russia has been reaching for Mongolia. She had the justification of a definite purpose—a motive of utility. This could not be said of China in reference to her ownership of Mongolia. But the war with Japan and other embarrassments checked her until her own lately revived spirits and China's distracting revolution combined to give her the long looked for opportunity.

Russia's Renewed Activity.

With the outbreak of the revolution the renewed activities of Russia in Mongolia began. The first act was on December 17, when Russian troops actually and very effectively assisted the Mongolians to disarm the Chinese soldiers stationed at Urga, the capital, and also co-operated in driving them and the high Chinese officials out of Outer Mongolia.

Not only were the Mongolians helped in the actual overthrow of Chinese authority, but the arms which they used were greatly augmented by 5,000 rifles and several thousand rounds of ammunition which found their way into Urga from some place or other only a few weeks before. The arms taken from the Chinese troops were also distributed among the Mongolians.

Crowning the New Emperor.

The next move was the crowning of a new emperor. This was done with great pomp on December 28, when The Living Buddha, who had been the spiritual head of the 3,000,000 Mongolians, was proclaimed Emperor of Mongolia. He is now known as the "Bo Ho Khan," which means "The God Emperor." All the lesser lights of Mongolia then swore fealty to him, presenting most handsome and extraordinary gifts in testimony of their loyalty."

The Living Buddha was escorted in the greatest state from his temporal abode to the High Temple. A wonderful procession was formed over the whole distance, six li or about two miles. Many tribal chiefs who never before had seen each other met at Urga then for the first time and declared undying friendship in the interest of an independent Mongolia and its new emperor. The ceremony which made the Living Buddha the "God Emperor" was very long and gorgeous. Only the Russians there were the only outsiders who witnessed this important event, as far as is known.

Emperor Favours "the Open Door."

At the present time "The God Emperor" and his followers do not fear Russian aggression. On the contrary, they look upon them as their very best friends on earth. The most important foreigner in Mongolia is the Russian Consul-General at Urga. Other nations could have had consular representatives there as well as not, but the Muscovites alone have been awake to the situation in the Far North.

The result will be great concessions for mines, wheat and stock raising areas and large land grants for railroad construction. The first move has been the abandonment of the proposed line across the country, traversing the heart of the country, traversing the great Gobi desert, from Urga to Kalgan, the Chinese city 125 miles north of Peking which is on the Mongolian border. This line would bring Mongolia in touch with the Chinese again. Instead the Russians have decided to build lines which will run east and west and connect with their own trans-Siberian.

As to the "Open Door" the Emperor says he is in favour of it. How the Russians will stand on this proposition has not yet been announced, but other nationals do not look for any "Welcome to Our City" signs."

THE TULLIBARDINE TEAPOT.

In the House of Commons during the discussion on the Temperance Bill (Scotland), the Marquis of Tullibardine said that while it might not be possible to get a bottle of whisky in Scotland on Sunday, it was perfectly possible to get a teapotful. (Laughter, and cries of "Where?")

In Scotland whiles it's ill to get
A dram upon a Sunday,
But, if your whistle ye would wet,
Ye needna thole till Monday.
Just gie the servant lass a wink,
An' say, "I beg your pardon,
But would ye fetch me ben a drink,
The pass-word's 'Tullibardine.'"

For it's Hi cockalorum!
We can aye enjoy a jorum
That we drink wi' great decorum
When they let a body be;
We're whiles denied oor drappie,
But we'll aye be unco happy
So long as there's a warmin'
wee bit cinder in oor tea!

They talk aboot the cup that cheers
But no'er inebriates ye,
But noo, in Scotland, it appears,
The canny cup elates ye.
They mak' it maist tremendous strong,
It mak's yer bluid run rosy;
Glenlivet's better nor Souchong
When it's aneath the cosy.

And it's Hi cockalorum,
We can aye enjoy a jorum,
That we drink wi' great decorum,
As the Marquis he can tell.
We're whiles denied oor drappie,
But we'll aye be unco happy
If what's brocht in the teapot
has the proper kin' o' smell.

There's no' a better drink than tea
In a' that man's invented;
When blended wi' the barley bree,
A body feels contented;
So long as the proportion's richt,
I'm sure we needna quarrel—
Just mak' the dose for ony nicht,
A tea leaf to a barrel!

Then it's Hi cockalorum!
We can aye enjoy a jorum,
That we drink wi' great decorum,
As ye well can understand.
We're whiles denied oor drappie,
But we'll aye be unco happy—
Och, the Tullibardine Teapot, man, it's glorious, it's grand!

—"Glasgow Evening News."

A BIG SHIPMENT.

Tenyo Maru's Tobacco Cargo.

The Toyo Kisen Kaisha liner Tenyo Maru carried from Manila on May 22, the largest shipment of cigars ever made from the Philippines to the United States. It was made up of various consignments from various factories and to various points in the United States, and figures prepared at the custom house showed a total of 3,704,401. Additions to it on the eve of the departure of the vessel carried the aggregate amount to 4,125,000. The shipments were all made on orders, which is an excellent indication of the improved condition of the Manila cigar trade in the United States.

Besides this record, breaking shipment of cigars, says the "Manila Times," the Tenyo carried a considerable number of cigarettes. Preliminary estimates at the custom house indicated that the total shipments would reach about 600,000 cigarettes.

CHANGES AT MESSRS. KELLY & WALSH.

Mr. T. Brotherton, of Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Shanghai, has been transferred to the Hongkong Branch, and, on May 22, a large number of his friends assembled on the Customs jetty to bid him *bon voyage*. During his stay in Shanghai Mr. Brotherton has made many friends and was recently elected secretary of the Recreation Club, who will greatly miss his services, says the "Shanghai Times". Mr. Brotherton is to take the place of Mr. W. P. Gregory who is leaving for home owing to sickness.

POST OFFICE.

Only fully prepaid letters and postcards are transmissible by the Siberian Route to Europe. Letters for this route should be superscribed via Siberia.

The Parcel Post system to the following places in China is for the present suspended:—Hupeh, Hunan and Tongyueh.

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

Left London	Due Shanghai
May 8th	May 25th
May 11th	May 28th

MAILS DUE.

Siberian, Buelow, 31st inst.
American, Korea, 16th prox.

MAILS CLOSE.

Haiphong and Pakhoi—Per Sungkiang, 30th May, 8 A.M.
Japan via Kobe—Per Tjitarcum, 30th May, 8 A.M.
Hoihow, Haiphong and Pakhoi—Per Michael Jebsen, 30th May, 9 A.M.
Batavia, Samarang and Sourabaya—Per Tjikini, 30th May, 11 A.M.
Shanghai, North China and Japan via Kobe—Per Persia, 30th May, 11 A.M.
Shanghai, North China and Japan via Kobe—Per Alesia, 30th May, 1 A.M.

Siberian Mail.

Shanghai, North China and Japan via Nagasaki (Europe via Siberia)—Per Derfflinger, 30th May, 11 A.M.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 30th May, 1.15 P.M.
Macao—Per Sui Tai, 1st June, 1.15 P.M.
Shanghai and North China—Per Chenan, 30th May, 3 P.M.
Philippine Islands—Per Zafiro, 30th May, 3 P.M.
Japan via Moji—Per Kaju-maru, 30th May, 5 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy, Formosa and Foochow—Per Haiching, 31st May, 10 A.M.
Hoihow and Sqin—Per Halvard, 31st May, 0 A.M.
Straits, Ceylon and India via Tuticorin—Per E. F. Ferdinand, 3 st May, 11 A.M.
Macao—Per Sui Tai, 31st May, 1.15 A.M.
Amoy and Formosa—Per Ichang, 31st May, 3 P.M.
Straits and Burmah—Per Fa ilka, 1st June, 10 A.M.
Philippine Islands—Per Yuensang, 1st June, 1 P.M.
Japan via Kobe—Per C. Apear, 1st June, 2 P.M.
Straits—Per Dunedic, 1st June, 2 P.M.
Shanghai and North China—Per Lianu, 1st June, 5 P.M.
Shanghai and North China—Per Hangsang 1st June, 5 P.M.

Siberian Mail.

Shanghai, North China, Japan, United States, South America and Canada via Vancouver (Europe via Siberia)—Per Monteagle, 1st June, 5 P.M.

Swatow—Per Haimun, 2nd June, 9 A.M.
Shanghai and North China—Per Simla, 2nd June, 9 A.M.
Tientsin—Per Chipshing, 3rd June, 11 A.M.
Japan via Yokohama—Per Mutsu, 4th June, 10 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Haitan, 4th June, 10 A.M.

Siberian Mail.

Shanghai, North China, Japan, Honolulu, United States, Canada and South America, via San Francisco (Europe, via Siberia)—Per Tenyo-maru, 4th June, 11 A.M.

French Mail.

Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) (Late Letters 11.00 a.m. to Noon. Extra Postage 10 cents).—Per Ernest Simons, 4th June, 11 A.M.

Keelung, Shanghai, Northern China and Japan via Moji, Victoria, B.C., and United States via Seattle — Per Kamakura-maru, 4th June, 3 P.M.
Philippine Islands—Per Kaifong, 4th June, 3 P.M.
Straits and Ceylon—Per Kitanomaru, 4th June, 5 P.M.
Sandakan—Per Mansang, 5th June, 5 P.M.
Haiphong and Pakhoi—Per Sinzan, 6th May, 8 A.M.
Philippine Islands, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand—Per Aldenham, 6th June, 11 A.M.
Shanghai and North China—Per Chinkiang, 6th June, 3 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy, Formosa and Foochow—Per Haiyang, 7th June, 10 A.M.

English Mail.

Japan via Moji, Honolulu, Manzanillo, Salina Cruz, Callao, Arica, Iquique, Valparaiso and Carongl—Per Hongkong-maru, 7th June, 11 A.M.
Philippine Islands, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand—Per Nikko-maru, 7th June, 11 A.M.

Straits, Burmah, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Brindisi. Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail Extra Postage 10 cents) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, 7th June, at 5 p.m.—Per Delta, 8th June, 11 A.M.

Philippine Islands—Per Loongsang, 8th June, 1 P.M.
Shanghai, North China, and Japan via Kobe—Per Namsang, 10th June, 11 A.M.
Straits and India via Calcutta—Per Fooksang, 13th June, 11 A.M.

Australian Mail.

Philippine Islands, Angaur, Yap, Friederich, Wilhelmshafen, Rabaul, Herbertshohe, Matupi, Australia, New Zealand, and Tasmania via Brisbane—Per Prinz Sigismund, 15th June, 9 A.M.

VESSELS IN PORT.

STEAMERS.

Anghin, Ger. s.s., 1,005, Chr. Kumpf, 27th May—Bangkok 26th May, Rice.—B. & S.
Carl Diederichsen, Ger. s.s., 7 , Ch. Jorgensen, 27th y —Hoihow 26th May, Gen.—J. & Co.
Catherine Apear, Br. s.s., 1,730, L. W. Hamlyn, 27th May—Calcutta 11th May, Gen—D. S. & Co
Choising, Ger. s.s., 1,402, J. Binhu, 10th May—Bangkok and Swatow 9th May, Rice.—B. & S.
Chun Sang, Br. s.s., 1,418, G. F. Mattock, 27th May—Hongay 25th May, Coal—J., M. & Co.
Fazilka, Br. s.s., 2,697, W. E. Whittingham, 5th May—Rangoon 28rd April, Gen.—J., M. & Co.
Fukui Maru, Jap. s.s., 4,189, H. Tomioka, 27th May—Moji 22nd May, Coal.—M. B. K.
Halvard, Nor. s.s., 1,066, C. Anderson, 27th May—Bangkok and Swatow 25th May, Gen. —C. S. S. N. Co.
Hongkong Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,168, Sugara, 21st May—Coronel 1st April, and Moji 16th May, Coal.—T. K. K.
Kamakura Maru, Jap. s.s., 6,126, K. Soyeda, 26th May—Seattle, Wash. U.S.A., Flour —N. Y. K.
Koju Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,836, Corvin, 28th May—Miike 22nd May, Coal.—M. B. K.
Locksun, Ger. s.s., 1,020, W. Taubert, 23rd May—Saigon 19th May, Rice.—B. & S.
Loksang, Br. s.s., 977, Matthews, 28th May—Canton 27th May, Gen.—J., M. & Co.
Marie, Ger. s.s., 1,169, Schlaikin, 26th May—Saigon 16th May, Gen.—J. & Co.
Mausang, Br. s.s., 1,344, Weigall, 28th May—Sandakan 20th May, Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Michael Jebsen, Ger. s.s., 951, J. Petersen, 23rd May—Saigon 9th May, Gen.—J. & Co.
Monteagle, Br. s.s., 3,903, W. Davison, R.N.R., 26th May—Vancouver 2nd May, Mail and Gen.—C. P. R. Co.
Ningpo, Br. s.s., 1,228, T. W. Pickard, 24th May—Canton 23rd May, Gen—B. & S.
Paklat, Ger. s.s., 1,018, G. Wenzel, 12th May—Bangkok and Hoihow 7th May, Rice.—B. & S.
Pongtong, Br. s.s., 998, W. Botefuhr, 25th May—Saigon 21st May, Rice.—B. & S.
Sabino Rickmers, Dutch s.s., 578, E. R. de Vries, 26th May—Haiphong 24th May, Ballast. —A. P. Co.
Sungkiang, Br. s.s., 948, H. Mathias, 24th May—Haiphong and Hoihow 23rd May, Gen.—B. & S.
Tenyo Maru, Jap., s.s., 7,268, E. Bent, 25th May—San Francisco 24th April, Mails and Gen.—T. K. K.
Tjitaroem, Dutch s.s., 3,666, P. Zwart, 26th May—Macassar 19th May, Ballast.—J. C. J. L.
Wuhu, Br. s.s., 1,227, Howard, 24th May—Canton 23rd May, Gen.—B. & S.
Yuensang, Br. s.s., 1,224, P. H. Rolfe, —28th May—Manila—25th May, Gen.—J., M. & Co.
Zafiro, Am. s.s., 2,042, M. C. Smith, 27th May—Manila 24th May, Hemp.—S. T. & Co.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

Eastern Extension.

List of unclaimed telegrams lying in the Eastern Extension Office at Hongkong:—

Allogory, from Shanghai.
Angohiko, from Manila.
Ceresa, from Vinh.
Cheongsie, C/o Kitsang, C/o Tungsunglung, from Medan.
Chingquanchun, 8 Kingsing Street, Wanchai, from Vancouver, B. C.
Chofoonsoing Chop Kongsangkong, No. 48 Fongham, Kualalumpor.
Cow Dock Jung Cow, Seven Connaught Road, from Reno. Nev.
Doyamatomogusu, Care Japanese Hotel, from Thursday Island.
Fangky, from Namdinh.
George Desbien, from Manila.
Helsgaun, Care Eastern Extension Telegraph, from Yunnanfu.
Hongsing, Westpoint, from Sanfrancisco.
Hunelongue, Futhongkaihow Street, from Port Louis, Mauritius.
Kear, Hongkong Hotel, from Cavite, P. I.
Kiankee, from Rangoon.
Kwongchun, from Manila.
Kwongthuijloong, from Medan.
Kwongyak, from Singapore.
Mansfield, from Manila.
Memoria, from Liverpool.
Narciso, from Manila.
Nordlloyd Wickers, from Losangelescal.
Oberleutnant Caesar Schiff Patricia, from Stettin.
Ohak, from Singapore.
Pearman, King Edward Hotel, from Shanghai.
Pogkee, 76 Jervois Street, from Hobart.
Poignand Passenger "Goeben," from Aloratar.
Poste Yantchuong, Yoimati, from Chobo.
Seagulf, from Cebu.
Suzukiura, Care Matousara, from Thursday Island.
Switzer Solano, from Manila.
Tanchoonsen Chop Guansengchiang, from Singapore.
Thun, from London.
White Passenger "Chiyo Maru," from Shanghai.
Yuenxuong, from Saigon.
0033, from Foochow.
1158, from Tientsin.

Hongkong 24 May, 1912.

J. M. Beck,
Superintendent.

Great Northern.

List of unclaimed telegrams lying in the Great Northern Telegraph Company's office at Hongkong:—

Anatolia.
Bowhangchong.
Kuecheong.
Weedil.
0006, 3883, 0088, 2490, 3141.
1781, 3458.
2950, 4637, 6198.
9852.

H.K. Station, 24th May, 1912.

E. V. Jessed,
Acting Superintendent

WATER RETURN.

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on May 1, 1912.

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1911.		1912.	
Tytam	35ft. 10in. overflow	below	31ft. 10in. overflow	below
Tytam	25ft. 3in. over low	below	26ft. 4in. overflow	below
Byewash				
Tytam Intermediate	19ft. 10in. overflow	below	9ft. 9in. overflow	below
Pokfulum	24ft. 6in. overflow	below	24ft. 6in. overflow	below
Wong-nai-chung	35ft. 10in. overflow	below	35ft. 0in. overflow	below

STORAGE GALLONS.

	1911	1912
Tytam	75,220,000	81,405,000
Tytam Byewash	603,000	570,000
Tytam Intermediate	109,210,000	148,300,000
Pokfulum	16,810,000	16,950,000
Wong-nai-chung	2,8 5,600	7,672,000
Total	204,004,000	254,807,000

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District during the month of April 1912.

	1911	1912
Consumption	107,077,000	237,440,000 gallons.
Estimated population	225,860	249,619 "
Consumption per head per day	15.8	15.1 "

Intermittent supply by Mider Mains in Rider Main Districts during April 1911. Intermittent Supply by River Main districts up till 14th April the Constant in all districts from the 15th April 1911.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1911	1912
Kowloon Gravitation Reservoir	16' 6" Below overflow	13' 10" Below overflow.

STORAGE GALLONS.

	1911	1912
Kowloon Gravitation Reservoir	103,520,000	113,940,000

Consumption of water in Kowloon during the month of April, 1912.

	1911	1912
Consumption	33,240,000	30,350,000 gallons
Estimated population	96,300	50,600
Consumption per head per day	8.6	11 gallons

The Government Analyst reports shoy that the water is of excellent quality.

Public Works Department,

W. CHATHAM,
Water Authority.

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SHANGHAI	ACADIA Capt. S. Barham	About 6th June.	Freight and Passage
LONDON, VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	DELTA Capt. E. P. Martin, R.N.R.,	Noon, 8th June	

For further particulars, apply to

H. W. D. HALLAND
Acting Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s office,
Hongkong, 28th May, 1912.

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NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP & HAMBURG...	BULOW Capt. H. Formes	16,000	On FRIDAY.
SHANGHAI, TSINGTAU, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	DERFFLINGER Capt. F. Prosch	17,000	Shanghai THURSDAY, 30th May.
MANILA, ANGAUR, YAP, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE.....	PRINZ SIGISMUND Capt. P. Penz	6,000	SATURDAY, 15th June, at 10 A.M.
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	BORNEO Capt. C. Sembill	6,750	Middle of June.

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STEAMSHIPS.	CAPTAIN	LEAVING.
HAICHING...	W. C. Passmore...	FRIDAY, 31st May, at 11 A.M.
HAITAN	J. S. Roach.....	TUESDAY, 4th June, at 11 A.M.
HAIYANG ...	J. W. Evans	FRIDAY, 7th June, at 11 A.M.

During the months of June and July.—Return available for three months will be issued at a reduction of 20 per cent. on the usual rate to Foochow.

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